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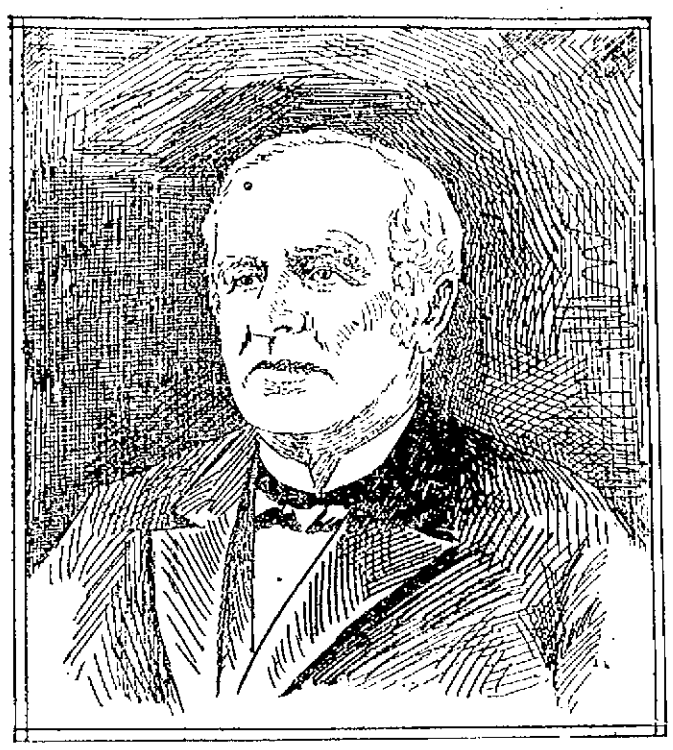

THE LATE SAMUEL HORN.

PLANTED HAVANA MINES

Chas. A. Crandell, Alias Emaneul Escadaro Whom Weyler Employed.

Now Under Arrest and Admits Having Mined Havana Harbor—The Maine was Moored Over a Mine and Only Spanish Officials Could Explode Any of the Mines.

Chicago, April 15.—Charles A. Crandall, alias Emanuel Escadaro, who, acting under the express orders of Captain General Weyler during his military reign on the Island of Cuba, is said to have planted the mines and torpedoes in the harbor of Havana, has at last been run to earth. He is in the custody of secret service agents, who will escort him to Washington, where he will give information of such a nature that will prove beyond possible peradventure that the Maine was blown up by a mine and her 258 officers and crew sent to their doom by agencies known to the Spanish and by design.

He said to his captors: "When the Maine was blown up I remained in hiding with a colored family near Fort Taylor, or the barracks, and as soon as I received word to skip out I took stowaway passage on the first steamer for Miami. The Maine was anchored at the identical buoy that General Weyler ordered me to place the additional mine, officially known as buoy No. 6. These mines were anchored by cable and chain. There were two sets, one that could be fired independently, that is the chain at the mouth of the harbor, and the others in the interior circle."

Crandall further says:

"From Miami I went to Nashville, Tenn., where I received the following letter from Havana, March 1, 1898:

"'Destroy all evidence. Go to New York; ticket for London awaits you there. Signed, —Diaz.'

"This was from Weyler's most trusted adjutant and spy, who executes all of the edicts issued by Weyler from Spain.

"I did not go to New York, but went to St. Louis and from there came to Chicago. I was in hopes that there would be war, so that I might be on hand to play an active part and use the mines and torpedoes against the Spanish boats.

"The mines and torpedoes can be fired either from Morro Castle, Cabanas, or the navy yard, and it would have been impossible for any one other than a Spanish officer to have fired them, and no one but Weyler and his adjutants knew where they were or where the firing galleries were located."

Crandall avers that he was directed to assume the name of Escadaro by General Weyler.

He has several letters from Weyler regarding his work and a general military pass from that officer permitting him and five others to work unmolested and to use any of the boats of the navy at any hour or time he may apply for one. All of these he has turned over to the agents and they will be used at Washington. No blame can be attached to Crandall for his work, and he was sought for merely to furnish proof to furnish proof that there was a mine where the Maine was anchored.

RIOTOUS STRIKERS

STATE POLICE CALLED TO NEW BEDFORD THIS MORNING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New Bedford, April 15—Great trouble is feared here from the desperate friends of the strikers, for a riot seems imminent.

The crowds which gather at the mill gates and hiss and jeer the help who have returned to work as they pass in and out of the factories have grown demonstrative and unruly. There is nothing yet, like mob violence, but the temper of the strikers clearly grows more vindictive.

The police force of the city is not considered adequate to the situation and the aid of the state officers has been invoked. Forty-three men under the personal direction of Chief Wade, are to go on duty here today. All this week the local force of officers, special and regular have served extra hours, and are pretty well tired out.

The mill men still contend that a sufficient number of hands can be secured to operate the machinery, under a guarantee of freedom from discomfort and attack from the strikers. The leaders of the strike as firmly declare that the attempt to run must inevitably result in failure and that the mills are making losses in the number of hands at work rather than accessions.

Significantly strikers of Fiber 2 FESSEEE

MISS MEANS.

FOR PRINCIPAL OF ABBOTT ACADEMY AT ANDOVER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Andover, Mass., April 15.—Miss Emily A. Means, of Summit, N. J., formerly of Andover, has been elected to the principalship of Abbott Academy. Miss Means is a graduate of the institution and for many years was connected with its faculty as teacher of art.

HURDY-GURDY PARTY.

HELD AT THE ARMORY LAST EVENING BY MECHANICS PHALANX.

A delightful Hurdy-Gurdy party and Gatling gun drill were held at the Armory last evening by Company C, Mechanics' Phalanx at which 100 couples were present. The drill was given prior to the dance under the direction of Corporal Saunders.

The officers of the affair were as follows General manager, Lieutenant Livingston; assistant, Private R. W. Hardy; secretary treasurer, Sergeant George L. Fowler, Jr.; floor director, Sergeant E. R. Delmage; assistant, Private R. B. Joslin; aids, Corporal O. S. Hahn, Corporal W. P. Berry, Private R. W. Clogston, Private H. C. Bellamy, Private W. E. Goodwin and Private M. E. Hardy.

LINCOLN CLUB.

The Lincoln republican club held a whist party in Wyman's Exchange last night, and prizes were won by Messrs. Gemmel and Raymond. The winners of the booby prizes were Messrs. Ferris and Boyle.

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EXTRA

PATRIOTISM HOT IN SPAIN

Over the Queen's Gift of a Million Pesetas to Navy Fund.

Great Enthusiasm Aroused Among the Masses—Populo Romano Says European Intervention will Take the Form of a Naval Demonstration.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Havana, April 14.—Havana is quiet. Consul General Lee's declarations are still commented upon and the press keeps attacking him.

Prominent people think that in view of the strong and energetic attitude of Spain, it is improbable that the United States will declare war, the American success being doubtful. Yesterday was marked by a general paralysis of business and there was little movement in the streets, but this was due chiefly to the weather. In the early evening the skies cleared, the temperature became cooler and a few people gathered in the Plaza D'Armes and Central Park.

WEYLER NOT COMING.

Rumors that Lieut. General Weyler is coming to Havana are unfounded. Tonight a report is again circulated as to a crisis in the Sagasta cabinet, but New York parties, more likely to be correctly informed, say the report is false.

QUEEN EULOGIZED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 15.—Great enthusiasm has been aroused here by the fact that the Queen Regent has headed the national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish navy by giving one million pesetas toward the fund.

The Imparcial (Independent) commenting upon Her Majesty's action today, says: "Until yesterday people only saw in the august lady a virtuous queen; but since yesterday she has been known to be also a Spanish queen. Her gift of one million pesetas gains her millions of blessings." Referring to the political situation, the Imparcial remarks: "Senor Sagasta's government finally struck the Spanish note yesterday, the result being a reunion of the government and the people. Today we are all Spaniards; we forget party lines and we are united around the state."

CARLISTS CONDEMNED.

The Globo (Liberal) this morning severely censures the Carlist manifesto, saying it considers it not patriotic, but revolutionary, and adding: "The government requires no spur to calmly defend the rights of the nation. It will not strike first, but it will return a blow."

POWERS MAY INTERFERE.

By Associated Press to The Sun

Rome, April 15.—The Populo Romano today says it understands that the powers of Europe will intervene between the United States and Spain in favor of the latter country and it adds that according to information gathered in well-informed quarters, the intervention will take the form of a naval demonstration in which all the powers will participate.

U. S. CONSULATE THREATENED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Barcelona, April 15.—Last evening, as the crowd was coming from the bull fight organized in favor of a national subscription for the navy, they took flags through the streets to the American consulate where they remained for several hours, whistling and shouting. The consul looked down from the window. The governor exerted himself to induce them to disperse. The press is unanimous in condemning the provocative attitude of the Spanish functionaries in the crowd.

DEATH OF MR. HORN

One Of Lowell's Oldest Citizens.

WHO PASSED AWAY EARLY THIS MORNING.

A Sketch of His Business Career.

Samuel Horn, one of Lowell's oldest and best known citizens, died this morning at 1.30 o'clock at his home 98 Smith street, at the age of 91 years, 3 months and 15 days.

For some time past the old gentleman had been suffering from the infirmities of old age and recently contracted pneumonia, which soon made recovery impossible and early last evening his life was despaired of. The end came peacefully.

Mr. Samuel Horn was one of eight children born in Southboro, Mass., in 1806. He was descended from an old English family which early settled in that place. His father, Windsor Horn, was born in the same place, Aug. 20, 1782, and died at Westford, June 13, 1852. His mother, Matilda Nichols, was born in Framingham, Dec. 11, 1781, and died at Westford, Jan. 25, 1837.

Mr. Horn's early life was passed on the farm in Southboro, attending the village school when opportunity offered between seasons. It was in this rugged honest country life that he learned the lessons of industry, perseverance, economy and fidelity in the performance of duty which laid the foundation of an honorable and prosperous business career. On coming to Lowell in December, 1828, he engaged in business as a shipper of soap tallow and candles and a dealer in hides in which he continued until 1886, when he retired with a competency.

His establishment was located on School street below Middlesex and is now the property of the Lowell Rendering company. The history of his business career in this city is an illustration and development of those elements of character, by which he commanded success. From small beginnings, he continued on industrious and persevering in the face of hardships and trials until by force of character and courageous self denial, he achieved a victory and established a very extensive business.

In politics Mr. Horn was a republican, serving as a member of the city government in 1839. In 1835 he was an attendant of the Orthodox church, but since then he has attended the Unitarian church. He was one of the founders of the Wamesit National bank in 1852 and of the Merrimack River Savings bank in 1871 and had been a director of the one and a trustee of the other ever since. He was an assistant engineer of the Lowell Fire department for many years. In 1835 he was united in marriage to Miss Hannah T. Harper of Sanbornton, N. H. He leaves three children, Emma J. Horn, Alfred S. Horn and Isabel P., wife of Francis A. Nichols, all of this city.

Last year he observed his 90th birthday, and at that time he appeared to be twenty years younger.

FUNERALS.

MILLIKEN—The funeral of Frank J. Milliken took place Wednesday at his late residence, 770 Shawmut avenue, Boston. Rev. Geo. E. Perrin of the Shawmut avenue church officiated. At the interment in the Lowell cemetery were present Thos. O. Allen, Jeremiah Crowley, Frank Calvert, D. Moody Prescott, Albert Pindar all comrades of the Old Sixth.

INGALLS—The funeral services of Wm. M. Ingalls were held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his late home in Coburn Place. Rev. G. M. Hall officiated. Interment was in the Edson cemetery. The bearers were Messrs. David True, Warren Johnson, B. S. Atkinson, and H. O. Brooks.

MARTEL—The funeral of Pierre Martel took place from St. Joseph's church Wednesday. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Fr. Nolin, O.M.I., and he was assisted by Rev. Fr. Curo and Rev. Fr. Strois. The bearers were George Nichol, Donat Blaon, Frank Rousseau, Alfred Gaulette, and Albert Blazon. L'Association Catholique was represented at the funeral by T. J. Boyette, Napoleon Lozeau, A. J. B. Eno, W. Brantigan, J. H. Clement, Theo. Roch, Moise Cossette and A. Cornelier. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery.

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HUNTINGTON HALL

Plans of A. M. Burtt Accepted by Committee.

MAYOR AND SUPT. TRUE FAVOR STICKNEY'S PLAN.

Question for City Council to Decide.

There is a question for the city council to settle in the selection of plans for rebuilding Huntington hall. Mayor Bennett and Supt. True have approved plans presented by Stickney & Austin, and the committee on lands and buildings at yesterday's meeting made choice of plans prepared by A. M. Burtt. The council will now have to make a selection.

Mr. Burtt estimates the cost of rebuilding the hall, exclusive of seats, at between $16,000 and $20,000. His plan was accompanied by the following description:

"It is proposed to leave the stage in its present position, but to shorten its projection into the hall, at the same time widening the opening, the object of this being to give more width for less depth in order to accommodate large concerts, etc.; while for lectures the great depth of the present stage is useless.

"It is proposed to have a curtain which can be drawn up out of the way when not wanted. This curtain will not be the full width of the permanent opening. The opening, when the stage is to be used for theatricals, can be narrowed by side wings, so arranged as to seem a part of the opening. This arrangement will give room for flies at the sides.

"There will be no boxes, but dressing rooms on the floor and at gallery level, with toilet rooms at each side on first floor. The gallery is kept the same width in the rear, but is made double the present width at the side.

"A new entrance, about 10 feet wide, is made where the barber shop now is. This is necessary on account of the increased seating capacity of the hall. The other entrances are to be kept in their present positions.

"In the arrangement of the several rooms at the entrance of the hall, additional room is given to the committee room and the ladies' reception room. The Jackson hall stairs will remain in their present position, although more room is provided in the approach to the stairs."

The committee on public baths had an informal discussion last night.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss locations. The committee, as yet, have come to no decision in this matter, but Councilman Garvey says he favors the use of the old Mann school building.

The committee on sewers, the Mayor the city solicitor, and the city engineer, had a long conference with representatives of the manufacturing interests about Meadowcroft street yesterday afternoon, relative to the proposed sewer through the street. There are certain water rights in the way of wells involved. The matter was discussed at length.

The water board held a regular meeting last night, but the only business that was attended to was of a routine character aside from hearing three or four petitioners for abatements.

Councilman Garvey, who was instrumental in having the committee on public baths appointed, inasmuch as he introduced the order to provide public baths, said yesterday "I fear that nothing will be done in the matter because of the financial condition of the city. I would like very much to have some steps taken in the matter, for I believe there is great need of public baths in this city. Even if they would put up a bath house like the one at Willow Dale, that would be something worth having."

It is more than likely that the committee on investigation of the Health department will meet this evening to consider the text of the report that will be presented to the city council.

The ladies of the State Federation of Womens' clubs must have been well pleased with their visit to City Hall for one of them wrote the following on a pad of paper in the aldermen's chamber:

"A visitor from the State Federation of Women's club leaves many tributes of admiration for this beautiful building and the different departments, and the artistic arrangements of the rooms."

GEORGE D. HILLS DEAD.

George D. Hills, one of Lowell's most esteemed citizens, father of William D. Hills of the Traders' National bank, died this morning at his home, 222 Worthen street, aged 69 years, 8 months. Funeral services will be held at the Branch Street Tabernacle, Monday at 10 a. m. Friends are invited without further notice. The interment will be at Leominster, Mass.

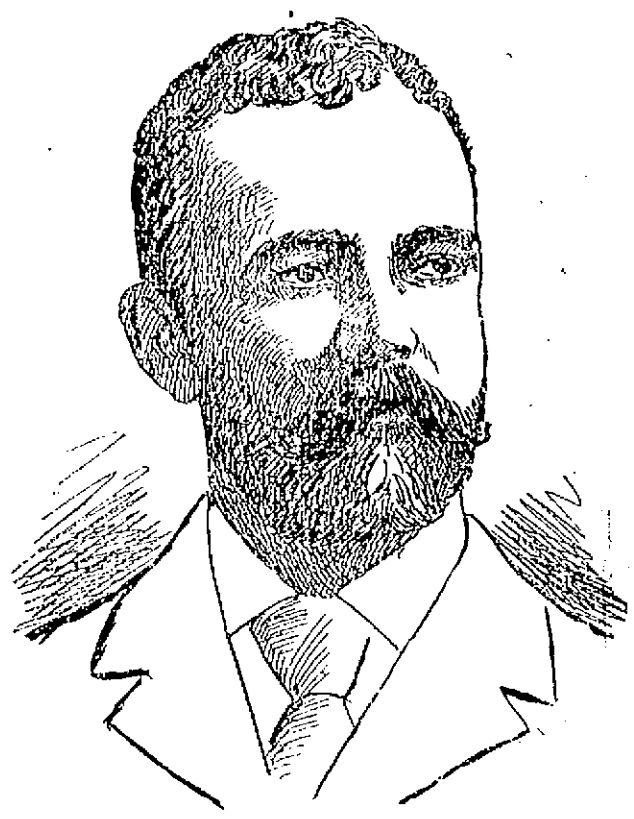
THE ONION CLUB.

The Onion club launched its new boat "The Scallion," at Massapoag Lake yesterday Commodore Ed. Dunn in charge. Con. Collins performed the ceremony of breaking a bottle of mustard over her prow as she glided into the water as gracefully as an ice wagon. The club will have its first outing on Patriots' Day, weather permitting.

SONS OF VETERANS.

An adjourned meeting of the sons of veterans who are interested in Constable Flynn's National Reserve movement, will be held in Memorial hall, this evening.

Sam Orr says that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. They can't imitate the tone of our Jacob Doll Pianos.



U. S. SENATOR HENRY CABOT LODGE.

FROM LODGE'S SPEECH.

DELIVERED IN THE SENATE ON THE WAR ISSUES.

"I believe when we are face to face with a foreign power that there is one duty which overrides all others, higher than politics and higher than everything else and that is that the congress and the people and the executive of the United States should stand absolutely together."

"Spain is on her death bed, buried in debt, bleeding at every vein from the revolutions in her colonies, and her officers and officials rob her, dying as she is in the eyes of the world."

"If war must be, no nation ever went to war on higher grounds or from nobler or from more disinterested motives. War is here, if it is here, by the acts of Spain."

"We are told that we must not go to war on the narrow ground of revenge. No, not revenge, but we must have reparation for the Maine. We cannot as a nation belittle the case or refuse to demand a great and shining reparation for our dead sailors.

"If we allow that to drop aside, to pass away into an endless tangle of negotiation and law and discussion, we are lost to all sense of brotherhood; we are lost to all love of kith and kin; our uniform will no longer be an honor and protection; it will be a disgrace and danger to wear.

"Your men on your ships are sullen today, because they think that the government is not behind them. There are mutterings among the men who wear your uniform because they think you have not striven to redress the awful slaughter of their comrades. You must maintain the honor of the uniform and the flag under which the men died.

"Surely there never was a more righteous cause than this for any nation to ask for justice. That gigantic murder, the last spasm of a corrupt and dying sovereignty which carried down our ship and our men, cries aloud for justice."

THAT INFLUENCE

Which is Worked in Superior Court.

REMARKED UPON BY JUDGE HADLEY TODAY

And Other Cases in Police Court Today.

Fred L. Dam was in court again for drunkenness this morning and it was his third time. His record was read and the court learned for the first time that Dam, notwithstanding the fact that he has been in time and again, had rarely if at all, served a sentence imposed on him. For Dam's plan has been to appeal when sentenced and have matters fixed so that he would get off on probation when taken into the Superior Court, presumably by misrepresentation.

This morning Judge Hadley sentenced Dam to Bridgewater for 10 months and Fred immediately appealed where upon the court remarked: "And Dam, let me tell you that when your case come before the Superior Court, I shall have your entire record presented, from the time you were 11 years of age, if I have to take it there myself. Your friends and this court have done everything for you in the past, and it is time you were punished. I can't understand this mysterious influence brought to bear in the Superior Court by which you always succeed in avoiding sentence imposed on you. I want the court to be properly informed this time."

The Court's little speech took all the spunk out of Dam, whop robably rather than disclose the "mysterious influence" withdrew his appeal and took his sentence.

William Cogan, for assisting in the larceny of a sheep some time ago, was fined $15.

George Orr, an old offender, was in for stealing 25 cents worth of lead and he got three months in the workhouse.

Five drunks.

The Homeric lecture by Prof. Intros at Mrs. Dickinson's residence yesterday afternoon, was well attended.

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19c. Yard
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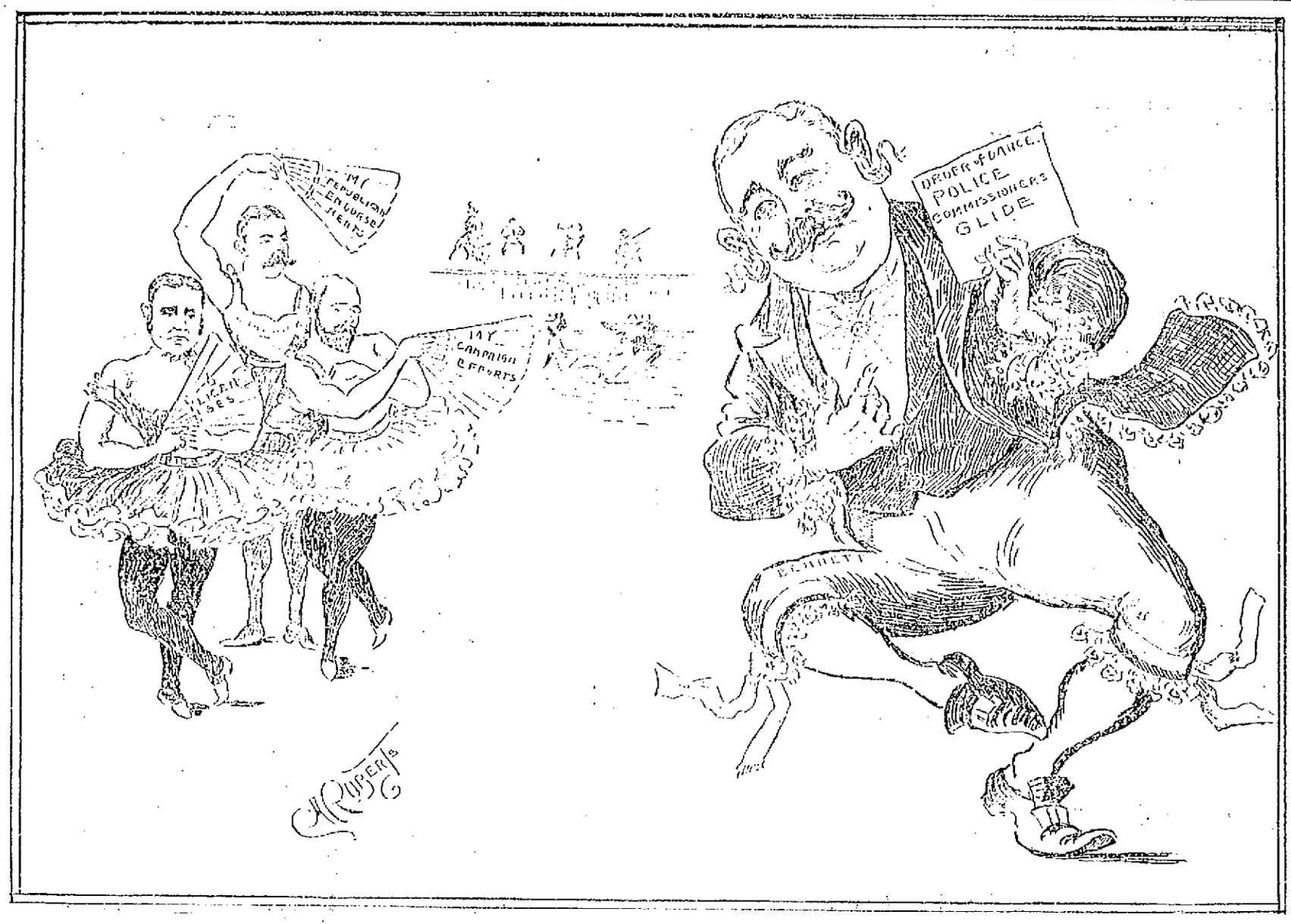
A Few Bargains in Our Lining Department.
1 lot Sponged Crepons and Fibre Chamois, regular price 35c., to close out at 10c.
1 lot very fine English Silesias, 36 inches wide, from 5 to 25 yards in each piece, worth 20 and 25c. a yard, at only 9c.
1 lot Fast Black Cambric (color warranted,) regular 8c. quality, at only 4c. yard.
1 lot Plain and Stripe Percalines, yard wide, regular 15 and 17c. quality, only 9c. yard.



WHICH PARTNER WILL HE HAVE?

ON BEACON HILL

Rep. Bennett Was on Deck Again.

BILL ON HOURS FOR WOMEN AND MINORS

Defeated Without Much Ceremony Yesterday.

Boston, April 15.—At the opening of the session of the house yesterday Mr. Bennett of Saugus addressed the chair, and said that he regretted the unceremonious manner in which the business of the house was interrupted Wednesday.

There was some debate on the bill relative to the promotion of anatomical science, which provides that the authorities of pauper and insane institutions "shall" deliver to the dean of any regular medical college of the state bodies of persons dying in the institutions who have not requested to be buried and whose bodies are not claimed by relatives or friends within 15 days from the time of death. The law at present is a permissive one so far as the officials of institutions are concerned, and any physician or surgeon may apply for a body. A third reading was ordered.

Shortly before the adjournment of the house the question came up of suspending the rules to admit orders for the repeal of the charters of the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas company and the Boston Gas Light company. The first was refused admission and the second was laid on the table.

The bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors was defeated in the house, while the senate spent nearly its entire time in considering the Harvard overseer bill, without coming to a vote.

LIFE IN BOSTON.

Boston, April 15.—At the session of the grand lodge of Massachusetts, I. O. G. T., the proposed amendments to the laws of the grand lodge were laid over until next year. At the election of officers J. Chisholm was elected grand chief templar. All the newly chosen officers were later installed.

Joseph Taber, 38 years old, and married, took a dose of carbolic acid and died almost instantly.

At a meeting of the directors of the New England Agricultural society it was decided to hold the annual meeting at Rigby in August. Beside the three big stake meetings, a purse meeting will be held June 28, 29 and 30 and July 1, with nine open classes and five for Maine horses, with $100 purses.

The Massachusetts Audubon society met yesterday to protest against the slaughter of birds for millinery purposes. Dr. Charles Sedgewick Minot presided and the attendance was large. In opening Dr. Minot emphasized the seriousness of this destruction for the interests of agriculture, it being a fact that birds slaughtered for women's dress meant so many insect pests let loose upon the farm and orchard.

GRAND ARMY OFFICERS.

Concord, N. H., April 15.—At the session of the New Hampshire department, G. A. R., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Commander, Albert H. Twitchell of Durham; senior commander, Henry L. Worcester, Rochester; junior commander, D. E. Proctor, Wilton; medical director, Dr. G. P. Conn, Concord; chaplain, Rev. Isaac S. Vail; delegates-at-large, H. E. Severance, Exeter; delegates, Andrew Hanson, Contoocook, P. Q.; J. M. Crossman, West Concord; Charles M. Pike, Keene; W. A. Beckford, Bristol.

A CLEVER EXHIBITION.

Bridgeport, Conn., April 15.—One of the most notable boxing contests ever held in Connecticut was that in the Park City theater last night before 2000 spectators. "Mysterious" Billy Smith and Joe Walcott were the principals, and they boxed 25 clever rounds to a draw. The men signed to box at catch weights, not to exceed 118 pounds. The Sharkey rules were followed.

The spectators included delegations from all over the state, with large contingents from New York and Boston. Betting was even and considerable money was wagered, but apart from those that had money wagered the decision was very satisfactory.

The first 10 rounds were probably the most clever exhibition of sparring ever witnessed in Bridgeport. Science was displayed that only men of the reputation of the principals could present. The rounds were hot, and Smith led and forced the fighting. After the 10th round Walcott evened matters, though in several successive rounds Smith seemed to have the best of it in hitting. The winding up was the swiftest round of the night; both men rushed matters, but when the gong sounded they were on their feet fighting fast, and a draw was decided.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS DULL.

Washington, April 15.—The session of the house was dull and absolutely devoid of interest. The galleries and the floor were almost deserted. About a dozen bills were passed. All of them were of minor importance except the Curtis bill for the relief of residents of the Indian Territory. It provides for the settlement of questions involving 19,000,000 acres belonging to the Cherokees, Chickasaws, Creeks, Choctaws and Seminoles and now occupied by 300,000 whites and 60,000 Indians. It provides for the enrollment of 7000 intruders upon 527,000 acres of land. The lands are to be leased so as to give each Indian a share, mineral lands are to be leased by the Secretary of the Interior, and citizens in towns located on lands are to be permitted to buy titles.

MISS BREWSTER'S SANITY.

Montpelier, Vt., April 15.—Additional testimony as to Miss Brewster's mental condition was introduced yesterday. Jennie Clay testified that on the evening before the shooting, Mildred and others were at the home of Alexander Glennys, and that Mildred asked for a hymn book, but in attempting to sing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," she broke down and cried. Mildred asked the witness in an earnest way to commit suicide. Witness saw Mildred and Wheeler together the night before the tragedy. Witnesses testified that the respondent had relatives who were insane.

IN NO. BILLERICA

Royal Arcanumites Dance With Local Council

AT ITS THIRD ANNUAL CONCERT AND BALL

Held in Talbot Hall Last Evening.

It is a long time since the dance hall of the Talbot Memorial building in North Billerica has looked as attractive as it did last night when gaily bedecked in vari-colored bunting tastefully arranged with an abundance of trailing plants and Easter flowers. It marked the occasion of the third annual concert and ball of the very popular organizations, North Billerica Council, Royal Arcanum, composed of the most progressive of the male residents of the North Billerica village, who are blessed with the most charming friends of the fair sex, so that it is no wonder that the social affairs are always of the most enjoyable character, drawing large patronage from all sides. Last evening's event was no exception to the rule, being grander than any of its predecessors. A large number of Lowell Arcanumites and their friends were in attendance and a special car to Lowell was run at an early hour this morning for the accommodation of Lowell people.

The evening's enjoyment began with a concert program by Brigham's orchestra of Marlboro, Mass., the numbers being as follows:

Overture, "Capital Goes" ..... Lavallee
Selection, "Bohemian Girl" ..... Balf
Cornet Solo, "La Suisse" ..... Liberati
S. E. Brigham.
Selection, "Fanchon" ..... Bennett
Piccolo Solo, "Fauvette" ..... Demarre
J. J. Bradley.
Finale, Popular Air ..... Bendix
Mr. W. H. Brighton.

After the concert, the grand march was formed. It was led by Prof. Director John Fairbrother, and Miss Lucy Morris, followed by Herbert Ellis and Miss Daisy Bo. I, Mr. and Mrs. Fenno, Stott, Joseph J. Connolly and Miss Maude McKeagh, and about 75 other couples. The march finished to good advantage the many pretty gowns worn by the ladies. At the conclusion of the march, the enjoyment of an order of 25 entertainment was begun. At 11 o'clock refreshments were served in the room below in charge of Mrs. James A. Routh and Mrs. John W. Broadhead, assisted by the following young ladies as waiters: Ruth Brown, Mary E. Stott, Lizzie Haigh, Essie Morris, Lily Buckley, Louise Colton, Annie Dodds, Mary Connell, Mamie Bradley, Maggie Hughes, Alice Campbell, Marion Routh, Mamie Meehan, Minnie Callahan, Nellie Campbell, Mamie McDermott, Ethel Morris, Annie Shaughnessy, Frances McCarthy, Maggie Collins, Mabel Morris and Madge McCarthy. After the supper, dancing was resumed and kept up until the early hours.

The officers of the affair were as follows: General manager, John W. Broadhead; assistant, Ernest Stott; floor director, John Fairbrother; assistant, Herbert Ellis; aids, Martin Conway, Edward L. McMahon, John J. Conley, William S. Taylor, William J. Crowley, John Meehan, Joseph Brown, George Shaughnessy.

Reception committee, John Hughes, Arthur W. Holden, John Brown, Lawrence W. Buckley, William J. Emmett, J. A. Routh, James H. Gannon.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Christopher J. Smith, O.M.I., pastor of St. Mary's church in San Antonio, Texas, the past 12 years, will sail from Portland Friday, on the Dominion Line steamer Labrador for France. He goes with Very Rev. J. M. Gallard, O.M.I., to attend the general chapter of the Oblate order, to be held in Paris for the choice of a superior general. This will be Fr. Smith's first trip abroad. He will return about the middle of July.

The engagement is announced of Miss Maude Jones and Rev. Fred H. Osborn.

Mrs. Charles R. Goddard of Marlborough street gave a charming luncheon yesterday afternoon in honor of her guest, Miss Jessie M. Nite of Boston.

Mr. Horace Wilder of Marlboro and Miss Mary L. Allen were married at the home of Mrs. A. H. Parks of Chelmsford yesterday. Fred W. Parks was best man and Miss Mattie Hall was bridesmaid. After the marriage a wedding feast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Wilder will reside in Marlboro.

THE CROCHET CLUB.

The Crochet club held a box party in Pilgrim Hall last evening. Mrs. L. Anderson was general manager; Mrs. Marsh was floor director, and Miss Frances McCoy was assistant floor director. The aids were Misses Annie Bailey, Ferguson and Marsh and Mrs. Jackson.

EASTER SALE.

The annual Easter Sale of the ladies' Aid society of the Westminster Presbyterian church was held in the vestry last night and there was a large attendance. Mrs. D. T. McKinnon was matron of the sales tables and Mrs. J. A. Howell had general charge of the dining room.

GENERAL LOCAL NOTES.

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BASKET BALL.

The game in Associate hall this evening will be between the Burkes and the Company C team of Nashua. The latter are the champions of New Hampshire and will give the Burkes a hard battle to win. The game should be largely attended, for the contest is just as important as any ever played here. The game will be called at 8 o'clock sharp, as the Nashua boys will come down on an early car. The Burkes will present their regular team and they expect to come out on top.

Rev. Fr. Dealey, who is the curate at Rev. Fr. Gleason's church in Reading, is visiting in this city and is stopping at St. Patrick's parsonage.

Confidence

What a wonderful amount of meaning there is in that one word CONFIDENCE. The business of the world hinges upon it. It applies to all walks of life, and the clothing business in particular. We're proud to state that our new spring stock of Clothing and methods are winning, not only the CONFIDENCE, but the friendship of the people as well. If you want to test our reputation in the matter, try one of our new Serge Suits. We won't disappoint you. We have the cream of the season's best here. We have them in both blue and black, in rough and smooth finish, 3 and 4 button Sacks, at

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These suits are what stylish dressers want. You will find in our large Suit Department anything you can ask for in the way of a Suit.

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No matter what others may say in their large advertisements, we know what our Refrigerators are and will guarantee that you will not find their equal in the city. Our Baby Carriages for $5.00 have no equal and our Go Carts for $3.75 are beauties.

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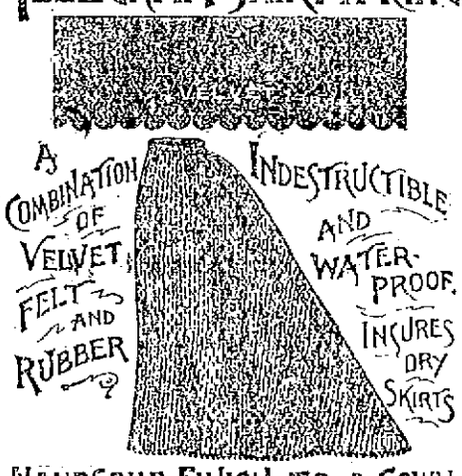
43 Sample Suits at 33 1-3 per cent. discount from regular prices.

ONE UNIFORM PRICE ON THE ENTIRE LOT.

The lot contains Cheviot and Serge Suits in blue, black, brown, green and garnet, Covert Suits in green and brown, Sacking Cloth, with black satin folds, for trimming most all fly front styles, a few blouse and short coat styles, every suit was made to retail at $14.00, $15.00 and $16.00. We will offer the entire lot at one uniform price for Saturday only, $10.00.

Kleinerts
TELEGRAM SKIRT FACING



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A special demonstration in the merits of the Telegram Binding will be given daily for the next week on our Trimming Department.

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Come in and See.

Three Extraordinary Bargains for Saturday Only in

Ladies' Petticoats

LOT 1.—15 dozen Heavy Black Italian Cloth Skirts, umbrella style, extra deep flounce, corded ruffle, lined with percale, made to our order to retail $3 each,

Saturday's Price $1.98 Each.

LOT 2.—10 dozen extra heavy Butler Moreen Skirts, made with deep flounce, an extra width, was made to our special order to retail $4.50,

Saturday's Price $2.98 Each.

LOT 3.—5 dozen extra quality Changeable Taffeta Silk Petticoats, umbrella style, corded flounce 12 inches deep, a regular $7.50 value,

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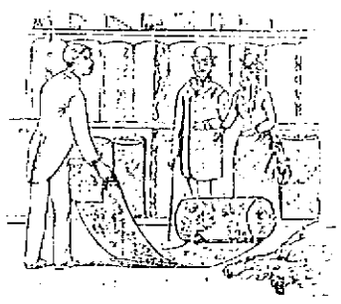
REMOVAL SALE

$8000 Worth of

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Furnishings

To be closed out before April 19th at about 50 cents on the dollar. Great bargains in Wrappers, Waists, Dress Skirts, Hosiery, Underwear and Corsets, etc., etc.

S. T. Farrell, 109 and 111 Central Street will occupy the Cassidy store, 110 and 112 Merrimack Street about the above date.



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Carpets at prices so low that it wont pay you to clean the old ones.

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1 lot Seamless at 15c.
1 lot Seamless, extra heavy 20c.
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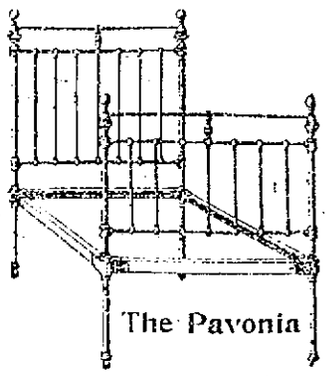
Full mount, brass ball, all sizes. Others from $2.50 to $50. $4.50



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We have used your Anodyne Liniment in our family for years, and it is almost the only medicine we do use, and we use this for almost everything. I have used it as an external application with astonishing results. HIRAM OLIVER, Bangor, Me.

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The Doctor's remedies are sold everywhere, or sent by mail or express. Price, 25 cents, five for $1. J. B. JOHNSON & CO., 22 Custom House St., Boston.

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For a quarter of a century it has been making thin children, plump; weak children, strong; sick children, healthy.

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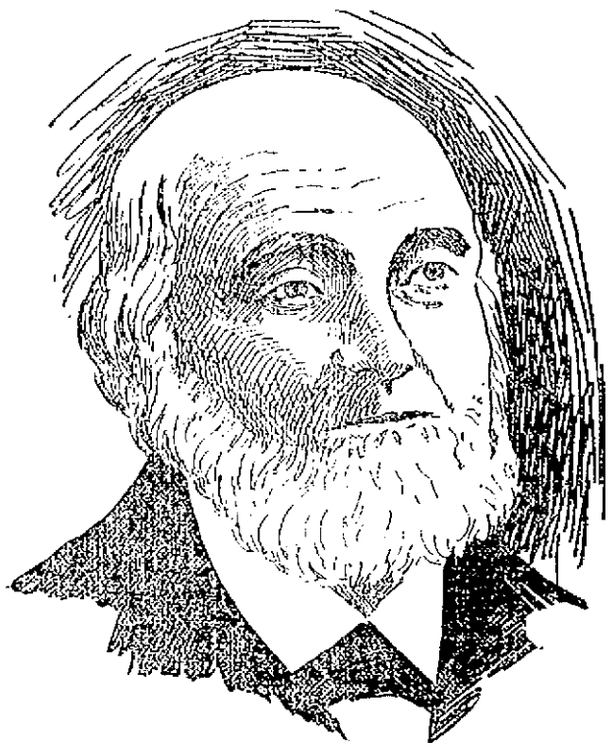

FATHER E. W. LOCKE.

OVER A THIRD WORKING

Daily Increase in the Number Working at New Bedford.

More Police Protection Wanted by the Mills—Pugilistic Battle at Bridgeport, Conn. — Session in Congressional House Very Dull.

New Bedford, Mass., April 15.—The striking operatives again gathered about the mill gates last night and greeted those who came from work with the usual shouts and jeers, but did nothing further. One man was arrested at the south end for disturbing the peace.

The treasurers had a conference with Mayor Ashley and Chief of Police Mason relative to better protection at the gates, but the mayor expressed the idea that no more could be done than is being done at present unless there is some outbreak. The mill men claim that 3470 operatives of the 9000 were at work in the nine corporations yesterday, which is double the number the strikers will concede.

MICHAEL CLARK

Died This Morning at His Late Home.

WAS A WELL KNOWN RESIDENT OF LOWELL.

Had Been Ailing for Some Time.

Michael Clark, a well known resident of this city, died early this morning at his home on Andover street, corner of Fort Hill avenue. Deceased has been ill for some time, but he was not confined to his home till recently. The news of his death caused sorrow among his numerous friends and acquaintances, who had the greatest esteem and respect for him. Mr. Clark was quite well known in public life, having served in the common council in this city and a few years ago he was one of the democratic nominees for alderman falling of election by a few votes. Since then he has taken no active part in politics.

He was 47 years old.

Deceased was taken ill last November and since then has been in declining health, although able to be out nearly every day. His last service as a warden of the High street precinct of Ward 3 was at the city election.

Mr. Clark was born in Malone, N. Y., April 8, 1851. He came to Lowell in 1870 and learned the trade of carriage and sign painter. He went into business for himself but was taken ill and was unable to attend to his business. After two years he returned to his occupation and continued until ten years ago, when he became assistant superintendent of streets under Mr. Edward Cawley. After that he took charge of the street railway company's painting department. He was at his business as late as last Saturday, and although unable to work, supervised the painting.

May 10, 1881, he married Miss Margaretta Donovon, daughter of Major Matthew Donovan, who survives him, with five children, William Matthew, Ellen Louise, George, Paul, and Thomas. He leaves also two brothers, Hugh and Cornelius E., and his sisters are

MICHAEL CLARK.

Sister Ann of the Sacred Heart, Waltham, Mrs. Ellen McCarron, Mrs. Anna J. Loughlin, Alice T., and Elizabeth C. Clark.

Mr. Clark was a member of the common council in 1883-4. He was formerly a member of the O-18-P., Y.M.C.L.A. and at the time of his death was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

The funeral will be held Monday from the church of the Immaculate Conception, the hour to be stated later. The family request that no flowers be sent.

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MASTA'S PULMONIC BALSAM.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH.

The annual parish meeting of All Saints' parish was held last evening. The meeting was opened with prayer by the rector, who presided. Reports of committees were received and a variety of business was transacted. The following officers were elected: Wardens, Alexander B. Paasche, S. Russell, Kitchen vestrymen, Alfred B. Paasche, Charles D. Clark, Charles Usher, Waldo Frank Putney, Johnson Kershaw, treasurer, Charles D. Clark; clerk, Alfred B. Paasche.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

At a meeting of the Branch street church last night the resignation of the pastor, Rev. O. E. Mallory, was accepted.

EXCEPTIONS FILED.

Yesterday, Jerome Manning filed exceptions in the case of Margaret and Lawrence Ford against Patrolmen Breen and Quinn.

CALLED TO SPRINGFIELD.

The Advent church of Springfield has extended a call to Rev. Miles G. Nelson of this city.

STORIES OF RELIEF.

Two Letters to Mrs. Pinkham.

Mrs. JOHN WILLIAMS, Englishtown, N. J., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I cannot begin to tell you how I suffered before taking your remedies. I was so weak that I could hardly walk across the floor without falling. I had womb trouble and such a bearing-down feeling; also suffered with my back and limbs, pain in womb, inflammation of the bladder, piles and indigestion. Before I had taken one bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I felt a great deal better, and after taking two and one-half bottles and half a box of your Liver Pills I was cured. If more would take your medicine they would not have to suffer so much."

Mrs. JOSEPH PETERSON, 513 East St., Warren, Pa., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have suffered with womb trouble over fifteen years. I had inflammation, enlargement and displacement of the womb. I had the backache constantly, also headache, and was so dizzy. I had heart trouble. It seemed as though my heart was in my throat at times choking me. I could not walk around and I could not lie down, for then my heart would beat so fast I would feel as though I was smothering. I had to sit up in bed nights in order to breathe. I was so weak I could not do anything.

"I have now taken several bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and used three packages of Sanative Wash, and can say I am perfectly cured. I do not think I could have lived long if Mrs. Pinkham's medicine had not helped me."

ELKS' CLUB.

The Elks' club met last night and elected the following officers: President, George W. Patten; vice president, Percy Gulline; secretary, T. E. Boucher; treasurer, S. H. Harvey; director, J. J. Reagan, chairman, E. P. Stiles, James F. Gordon, and Dr. A. E. McCann.

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Requires nerve and lots of it. People with weak nerves should take Cleveland's Celery Compound Tea, the great vegetable remedy for Nervous Exhaustion, Nervous Prostration, Indigestion and Constipation. It cleanses the blood imperceptibly but effectually of all impurities, banishing pimples, eruptions, itch, boils, carbuncles, and sallow skin. Call on F. H. Butler & Co., 265 Central street and 391 Middlesex street, and get a trial package free. Large package, 25c.

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OLD POST OFFICE.

CITY OF LOWELL.

No. 72 A April 15, 1898.

Notice is hereby given under Section 6, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, that James F. Smith, William J. Dunn, Smith & Dunn, have applied for a license to sell intoxicating liquors of the first class as common victualler, at No. 350-352 Market street, in two rooms on first floor and cellar.

By order of the Board of Police.

JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

CITY OF LOWELL.

No. 72 B April 15, 1898.

Notice is hereby given under Section 6, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, that James F. Smith, William J. Dunn, Smith & Dunn, have applied for a license to sell intoxicating liquors of the fourth class as retail dealer, at No. 350-352 Market street, in two rooms on first floor and cellar.

By order of the Board of Police.

JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

MIDDLESEX, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of James McGinchy, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate by Mary Jane McGinchy, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix, therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said county of Middlesex, on the twenty-sixth day of April, A. D. 1898, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

S. H. FOLSOM, Register.

LEE ON MAINE EXPLOSION

Counsul Says it Was Blown up by Officers

Who Had Charge of the Mines and Torpedoes in the Arsenal—Does Not Think Blanco Had Anything to do With it—Spanish Officers Rejoiced at the Ship's Destruction—Testimony Made Public Today.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15.—The testimony taken before the Senate committee on foreign relations between the United States and Cuba was made public today. It constitutes a book of about 670 pages and includes not only the testimony taken since the disaster to the Maine, but also much that was taken before and running back for a year or more. The statement which contains the greatest current interest is that made by Consul General Lee on the 12th inst. In this statement, General Lee says that he was informed on very good authority that the Spaniards had placed two rows of torpedoes just at the mouth of Havana harbor, by Morro Castle within the past two months, or subsequent to the Maine disaster. He said, however, that he had no information of the placing of any torpedoes before the Maine was destroyed?

"Have you any reason to suppose that the harbor was mined at all before the blowing up of the Maine?" asked Senator Frye.

"No, sir, I had no reason to suspect anything of the sort up to that time."

He then went on to say that General Weyler's letter to Santos Guzman had led him to believe that mines might have been placed there previous to the Maine incident, and he said that this supposition was strengthened by a telegram from General Weyler of which he had cognizance. Upon the whole, he thought that the Weyler letter (the Laine letter) was a correct copy of a genuine letter. The telegram to which he referred was addressed to Eva Canel, a noted Spanish woman.

With reference to the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine, General Lee said: "I am satisfied that the explosion was from the outside. I cabled the state department a few days after the board assembled that it was almost certain that the explosion was from the exterior. I have always had an idea about the Maine, that of course, it was not destroyed by a private individual or by any private citizen, but it was blown up by some of the officers who had charge of the mines and electrical wires and torpedos in the arsenal there who thoroughly understood their business, for it was done remarkably well.

"I do not think General Blanco, the present captain and governor general of the island of Cuba had anything to do with it. I do not think he had any knowledge of it. I saw him just shortly after the occurrence. I was sitting in my room at the hotel and from the balcony of the hotel I heard the explosion and saw a great column of fire go up in the air. A few minutes after ascertaining that it was the Maine, I went right down to the palace and asked for General Blanco. He came in directly by himself and was weeping; tears were coming from his eyes. He seemed to regret it as much as anybody I saw in Havana. I think the explosion came from some of the subaltern officers who had been there under Weyler and who were probably anti-Blanco anyhow, and who had full knowledge of the business."

General Lee said that he had seen a copy of a telegram from Admiral Manterola, dated in Havana prior to the explosion of the Maine to the Spanish commission in London, asking the commission to "hurry up the electrical cables." "Whether that referred to wire for submarine mines or torpedos, I do not know," he said. "I tried to ascertain if any of the wire or electrical cables had arrived there, but they came on Spanish ships and I could not find out."

General Lee said that this testimony in regard to Manterola and also that with reference to the Weyler telegram had been furnished to the court of inquiry which investigated the Maine disaster, but had not been sent to Congress or published because of a request made to the state department not to make them public, "as I was afraid the Spanish papers there would republish it and they would probably kill the man who gave it to me."

General Lee also said that he had not felt the shock of the explosion at his hotel.

"Have you heard since the explosion of the Maine any expression by Spanish officers in relation to it, indicating their pleasure at the act?" asked Senator Frye.

General Lee responded: "I heard two or three days afterward from various persons who came that there was a good deal of rejoicing among some of the officers."

Senator Lodge asked if he had heard of an attempt upon the Montgomery.

"I heard," responded General Lee, "that there was something of the sort one evening, but I believe upon investigation it was found that it did not amount to anything."

The following colloquy between Senator Foraker and General Lee brought out some further opinions of the general in regard to the destruction of the Maine.

Senator Foraker—"You think that no novice could have destroyed the Maine?"

General Lee—"Oh, no, sir. The man man who did that work was an officer thoroughly acquainted with explosives of all sorts and knew all about it. It was very well done."

Mr. Foraker—"A man who had expert knowledge necessarily?"

General Lee—"Yes, sir."

Senator Foraker—"Who must have had knowledge of the location of the torpedo?"

General Lee—"Yes, I never have been certain that the submarine explosive was placed there prior to the entrance of the Maine into the harbor. It might have been done afterwards. The Maine was anchored to a buoy by some little chain. A vessel swinging around that way gets at various places all around the circle. When she would swing off that way with the bow next to the buoy and these boats plying about the harbor all the time, anybody could go pretty well in front of her on a dark night and drop one of these submarine mines of 500 pounds. They have fingers, as it were, and as the boat goes around it would touch the finger, which makes contact and explodes the mine. That might have been done without difficulty after the Maine got in there."

The Chairman—"How about the Spaniards?"

General Lee—"General Blanco published a proclamation rescinding General Weyler's bando as they call it there but it has had no practical effect, for these people have no place to go; their houses have been burned down; there is nothing but bare land there and it takes them two months before they can raise the first crop."

Senator Lodge asked: "What does this cessation of hostilities spoken of in the last few days amount to?"

General Lee replied: "Nothing."

Senator Daniel—"Do you know the conditions of it?"

General Lee—"I saw General Blanco's proclamation which said that the Queen Regent at the request of His Holiness, the Pope, had issued an armistice; but that is not worth the paper it is written on, because a truce or armistice between two contending forces requires the consent of both before it can be of any practical effect and it will not have the consent of the insurgents."

In response to an inquiry from Senator Frye, as to his reasons for saying that the insurgents would pay no attention to the armistice, General Lee said: "Because every attempt so far to make terms or to make peace, or to buy the insurgents or their leaders has met with signal failure and whatever may be said about old General Gomez, he is in my humble opinion, fighting that war in the only way it can be done with any hope of success."

Senator Frye asked: "What, in your judgment is the possibility of Spain conquering the insurgents and restoring peace to the island?"

Consul General Lee—"I do not think there is the slightest possibility of their doing it at all in any way."

Senator Cullom—"Provided they do not starve them all to death."

Consul General Lee—"The same condition of things existed when Mr. Cleveland asked me to go down there last June a year ago. I gave him a report three weeks after I got in there in which I told him that there was no chance in my opinion for the Spaniards to ever suppress that insurrection, nor was there any chance of the insurrectionists expelling the Spanish soldiers from the island."

In response to questions from Senator Daniel, General Lee said that an American army of occupation could go into the island with safety now. General Lee said that when he left Havana, the Spanish troops had not been paid for about nine months, nor the Spanish officers for about four months.

"Are all the Cubans friendly to the insurgents?" asked Senator Foraker.

"I never saw one that was not," was the response.

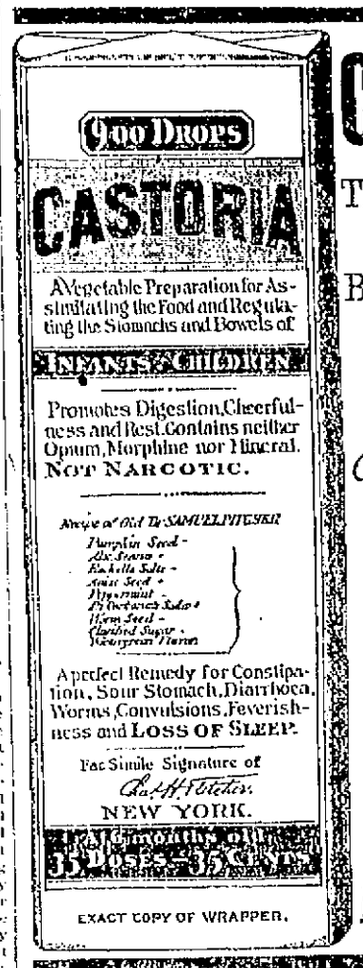
Senator Cullom asked if the Spanish army got any of the supplies sent by the United States.

"No, sir," said General Lee. "Occasionally they might have got a little here and there."

Senator Frye asked various questions in regard to the physical conditions of the Spanish soldiers and the method of providing for them, of which the following are specimens, with their replies:

Senator Frye—"What is the condition of the Spanish soldiers in the island?"

General Lee—"They are badly clothed and very badly fed; not well organized and not drilled. Nobody ever saw them drill.



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DELIGHTFUL COMEDY BY HUMANE SOCIETY TALENT.

The home comedy given by the Lowell Humane society at the home of Mr. Joseph A. Nesmith and the Misses Nesmith, corner of Andover and Nesmith streets, last evening, was a success in every sense of the word. The audience was so delighted with it that they requested a repetition of it tonight.

"A Scrap of Paper," the familiar comedy, was given with the following cast of characters:

Prosper Couramont .....Mr. Pearson
Baron de la Glaciere .....Mr. Coburn
Brisemouche .....Mr. Hobbs
Anatole .....Mr. McIlrayne
Madame Dupont..... Miss Livingston
Francois .....Mr. Young
Baptiste ..... Mr. Spalding
Louise de la Glaciere .....Miss Ames
M'lle Suzanne de Rousseville, Miss Robinson
Mathilda .....Miss Hildreth Nesmith
Pauline .....Miss Shedd

The performers have been under the competent coaching of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Palmer for a few weeks past and the proficiency with which the different parts were taken reflects credit upon all concerned.

Mrs. George Richardson and Miss M. Nesmith has charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. A. L. Pindar and Miss F. Francis had charge of the refreshments.

Miss Andrews presided at the piano and captivated the audience with the proficiency of her accomplishment.

ATHLETIC CLUB DANCE.

The Pawtucketville Athletic club held its first grand social in Prescott hall. About 200 couples attended. The cake walk was a feature and five couples were entered. Each received great applause, but the cake was awarded to Mr. Dominick Monahan and Miss Evelyn Dupont, a young couple of Montauk fame. The dance then followed and continued until midnight. The officers were: General manager, Omer Allard; assistant, Leon Sullivan; floor director, James J. Slavin; assistant, John J. Carroll.

Y.P.S.C.E. SOCIETY

At the semi-annual business meeting of the First Congregation Y.P.S.C.E. last evening in their vestry, the following officers were elected: President, Charles Osgood; vice president, Floy Cutler; recording secretary, Miss Hattie Dowell; corresponding secretary, Miss Nellie Wood; treasurer, Mr. R. Fulton.

John Graham and Arthur Hassett, who have been spending their Easter vacation in this city, will return to Holy Cross College next Monday, to resume their studies.

John J. Murphy, son of ex-Representative Daniel J. Murphy of Broadway, has returned to St. Anselms' College, Manchester, N. H.

The people of St. Michael's parish will conduct a Patriots' Party in Prescott hall next Tuesday evening. A diamond ring will be presented to the fortunate ticket holder.

Gas pipes laid in Middlesex street, near the railroad station, have been found to be eaten into by electrolysis.

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Nothing succeeds like success, is a maxim well applied to Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, for this famous remedy succeeds in curing every case of croup, cough and cold which it undertakes, and to this alone is due its wonderful popularity. Mrs. E. W. Richards, 2214 E. Cumberland St., Philadelphia, Pa., states: "I have had Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup on my bureau for the last nine years, and have found it a certain and safe cure for croup. I have also found it efficacious in extreme membraneous croup, and would advise all mothers to use it." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup costs only 25 cents, and you should bear in mind, that substitutes simply benefit the dealer's purse. Insist on Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

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DEATHS.

McDONOUGH—Mary Frances, aged 8 months, daughter of Michael and Margaret McDonough, died last evening at the home of her parents, 17 Summer street. The funeral was held this morning.

HANNIGAN—Peter Hannigan, aged 83 years, died at his late home, 170 South street. He was an old resident of Lowell, having resided here since 1851. He leaves a daughter. Funeral Saturday morning from St. Peter's church.

FITZGERALD—Honora Fitzgerald, an old resident of this city, died at the City hospital, yesterday. Deceased is survived by one son, John, and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Regan and Mrs. Jane Merrick. The residence of the daughters is unknown. The remains were in charge of Undertaker O'Donnell.

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See The Point?

The cutting of the Havana cable seems to be another Spanish act of hostility towards this country.

It is now admitted that the causes for delay in the President's message were not correctly stated to the country.

Spain is fortifying her islands in the Mediterranean. She must think the Flying Squadron is likely to pay them a visit.

Lawrence is now to suffer from entailment of protection, as well as from reduction of wages in the shutdown of the Pacific mills.

No democrat so far has objected to J. F. Owens, Esq., as registrar of voters and no republican can say that he is not well qualified for the place, both by training and experience.

It is rather remarkable that the pension-roll has vastly increased since 1820. It would appear that the number of veterans who fought in the late war was far greater than the government had any conception of.

That was a good suggestion made by Mayor Bennett that the Grand Army committees organize a movement to erect a monument to General Butler. The late general deserves a monument from the city and the state which he honored by his busy and useful life.

Principal Assessor Pratt gave a very sensible view of the assessors' duties and of the duties of the city authorities regarding that department. He is right in saying that because another city pays less is no reason why Lowell should pay less. To the fact that the mill owners are not residents is due a large part of the trouble with our mill corporations on the tax question.

General Lee is admired by every true American for his courage and patriotism as displayed in the discharge of his duties at Havana. He is now ready to lead a military body against Havana and certainly from his bravery no man is better qualified for the task. He protected Americans, he arranged for the relief of the reconcentrados and in the most trying circumstances, he proved himself a brave man.

The politicians and the lobbyists may laugh at Representative Behmer's fearful "flop" in the House on Wednesday, but when he turned the snake which he opposed a piece of chivalry he put it about right. Bennett, with all his shortcomings must be given the credit of honesty in his convictions of right and of being the foe of jobs and jobbery. He roasted our alphabetic Mr. Hayes when he said that the latter always voted as a certain lobbyist desired. Bennett's honesty is recognized on all sides, but he might have managed to control his feelings somewhat better than by giving way to tears. Whenever an honest man stands out against roguery, he will, as a rule, be stigmatized as a knave by the very men whose crookedness he opposes.

WATER RATES TOO HIGH.

The Water board got out of its investigation very easily. The committee did not dig very deeply into the affairs of the board. Colonel Dimon is well acquainted with the workings of the department and could lay his finger upon anything wrong if he undertook to go back sufficiently for it. Of course his report upon the present condition of the Board is accepted as correct and the recommendation "that the department should be somewhat more under the control of the city council is a good one.

That touches the very foundation of the extravagance and mismanagement of the water department. That is how such large sums were foolishly spent upon schemes which proved impracticable and useless and it explains why at the present time the water rates assessed on house owners where meters are not put in are too high.

It would appear that the rates were placed high purposely in order to compel as many as possible to put in meters. It is wrong. It is an abuse of the public at large that should not be tolerated. The rates are too high. They should be reduced at once to what is just and reasonable. It is to be regretted that the investigating committee did not look into this matter, which concerns everybody in the city.

WHY WAR WITH SPAIN?

It is alleged that the newspapers in some of them are too loudly shouting for war. There may be papers as there undoubtedly are, that go too far in this direction, but The Sun is not in this category, as we favor war only when it cannot honorably be avoided. We may add also, that we do not favor the proposed armed intervention in Cuba which will involve the supplanting of Spanish sway in the island and the establishment of a popular government for the Cubans. It will prove a serious and an expensive task.

It is undertaken on humanitarian grounds, but if this country would relieve all the suffering within its own boundaries, it would find but little time to go outside on missions of mercy. We do not object to the motive, but to making that motive the cause for war. The destruction of the Maine is sufficient cause for war and in making that the cause of war with Spain, a vast amount of chaff would be avoided while the aim of intervention would be indirectly attained.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Globe—"Spain stands convicted this following Sunday morning of an awful deed, not on the testimony of eye witnesses, to be sure, but men are hanged, even in Massachusetts on presumptive evidence far less complete than that which lays upon her the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine and the massacre of her crew. That she alone among the nations of christendom has the desperation required for the perpetration of such a crime her long record of unrepented treachery and cruelty attests, that her officials at Havana viewed her coming with angry resentment to our protest declare, and that the opportunity to plant and explode a submarine mine in that harbor was exclusively hers is a fact established before the world."

According to The Advertiser, "The Spanish tendency has been seen plainly enough in the policy of Spain in Cuba. After the 10-years' war in that unhappy island, the Spanish government promised to bring about certain reforms. The promise was not kept. Years passed by and the delay was so long continued that the promise was practically forgotten. Things grew worse and worse, until finally it became plain to a great body of the Cubans that the only way to secure any reform whatever was to win it at the point of the sword. If Spain had made a determined and resolute effort, the rebellion could have been crushed out at its beginning; but the policy of the Spanish war office was marked by the same devotion to the national motto 'tomorrow.'"

The Post has it that "when congress has spoken there will be presented to Spain the best chance that that government will have to extricate itself from the Cuban tangle. It will have a chance to let Cuba go in peace and to receive a very fair sum of purchase money in compensation; or it can fight to keep Cuba, and pay roundly in the shape of a war indemnity after that island has been taken away and made free."

In scoring those Americans who have no faith in a republican form of government, The Journal says: "They put the interest of the few above the inalienable and the set purpose of the multitude. When their pockets are touched or their opinions are slighted, every theory of government which they avow tends straight to absolute monarchy. They condemn and deride the popular will when expressed by the only means which the constitution provides. They denounce the congress of the United States as unworthy of respect and unfit to carry on the affairs of the country. They long for an autocratic power, isolated from the great body of the people and open only to the influence of the select. These are the things which mark the change from republicanism to absolutism."

COMMUNICATION.

BLUNDER OR MYSTIFICATION OF FRENCH VOTERS.

Mr. Editor—It was with a great deal of surprise that I read a statement that appeared in the Citizen and Leader yesterday, saying that the name of Dr. L. V. Recherche had been presented for city physician. What you will learn that Dr. Recherche is not a citizen of the United States and that he does not speak the English language you will agree with me that for a man who pretends to be endowed with so much business qualities as Mayor Bennett, for him to present such a candidate for the position of city physician or either a blunder or a mystification of the French citizens.

Furthermore, I question the sincerity of Mayor Bennett when he first presented the name of another French physician. I think that anyone familiar with the working of political custom will agree with me that before the name of Dr. Mignault or any other was presented, the Mayor might, if he had really wanted to appoint a French-American citizen to that position, to have made sure of his combination. To me it looks like an old trick and when next election comes he will try the blame on the democrats and claim the support of the French vote, on having done his duty in presenting a candidate of their element, but this is too thin. It will not take and it will be another lesson to the French people who will not in the future swallow all the promises of the political grabber.

If Mayor Bennett is in earnest let him make sure of the election of a candidate and choose a man having the necessary requisites and before all, a citizen of the United States, and then it will not look like blunder or mystification.

Ward Seven.

ECONOMY in taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, because "100 doses one dollar" is peculiar to and true only of the One True BLOOD Purifier.

THE ARENA OF POLITICS

THE BEAUTY OF A BOND.

How Long Are the Laboring Men Going to Stand This Sort of Business?

It would seem that the St. James Gazette has let a bird fly. It is not often that an organ of the politic empire is caught off guard. When such a phenomenal thing occurs, one is led to believe that the organ on the night before has had too much wine. That the St. James Gazette could so forget itself makes us astonished.

The occasion of the extraordinary break referred to is the recent assignment to Great Britain of the exclusive privilege of taking the Chinese loan without competition. The British government has been unusually anxious to get this loan "in the interests of trade." The St. James Gazette, doubtless in the state of mind indicated above, divulges the scheme as follows:

Let us suppose, in the first instance, that the rate agreed upon is 5 per cent. This would not be exorbitant when the ordinary rates of interest in China are taken into consideration. Our procedure would be simple. The Bank of England would invite tenders for £11,000,000 issue bearing 5 per cent, redeemable in 25 years from the date of issue. The length of the term offered would insure a premium of at least 5 per cent. Taking the price, then, at £110, we should obtain the sum of £12,100,000. The delicacy of China is unspoken of and could be made good by any one of half a dozen of various expedients. Each instalment received we should be crediting China with 4 per cent and making a profit of 1 per cent. The difference between the Bank rate and the loan rate (4-5ths) would be £5,500. If this sum were invested every year for 25 years at compound interest, it would produce at the end of that term £191,000. But the chief matter remains to be stated. When we had got all our money back, China would still remain indebted to us to the full amount of the original advance, £10,000,000. This outstanding liability could, at the choice of the Foreign government, either be liquidated in cash or renewed in exchange for such fixed or other concessions as might seem equitable to both parties.

Let us explain the beauty of this business. The poor laborers of China will be obliged for 25 years to pay to Great Britain, in interest only, $1,000,000 annually without reducing the debt by a single farthing. That is beautiful to begin with. The $1,000,000 will be taken by the English bondholders and loaned to the British laboring men, who will pay another $4,000,000 a year for the privilege of having money enough to buy their groceries. At the end of the 25 year period China will still owe the British bondholders the $50,000,000 just the same. That is the essential beauty of it. Eight millions a year laid upon the laboring men of China and Great Britain for 25 years. Two hundred millions of interest in all, and then $50,000,000 of principal just as good as at the start. I have not seen better example than this of the splendid workings of the international land system. The only question is how long the laboring men of the world are going to stand this sort of business. For then the St. James Gazette might never to have given the thing away!—Arena For April.

Why "Control" Fails.

The immense overcapitalization of railroads and the charging of rates to make interest and dividends on these fictitious values are an imposition and injustice of which there has long been reason to complain, but never until the recent decision of the Nebraska maximum freight rate case has this fictitious capitalization been fully legalized and given unlimited scope as a method of robbery.

The Nebraska law would have made a small reduction in freight rates and the change would have affected the income of the roads to only a slight extent, yet the supreme court says that a law which interferes with the payment of interest and dividends is unconstitutional.

The fact that the payments of interest and dividends were on greatly inflated issues was not permitted to figure in the case.

The decision completely ignores the whole question of overcapitalization and opens the way whereby any attempt to regulate railroad rates must prove a failure.

Under that interpretation nothing could be more absurd than to attempt the exercise of any control by legislative action.—Chicago Express.

Barlan's "Persons" Fail to Materialize.

Governor Leedy of Kansas is a true American, and his patriotic zeal is shown in a call issued for Kansans to enlist under his banner for a war with Spain. The governor says:

"I have received scores of volunteer applications from farmers and merchants and mechanics all over the state, but so far I have not received a notice from one corporation that it is ready to give its services to the country.

"Justice Harlan stated recently that corporations were persons, just like you and me and the rest of the people in these United States, and had the same rights as natural born citizens. If this is so, why don't they come forward, like the natural born citizens, and offer their services for the defense of their country. It is my ambition to command a company of this kind in the event of war with Spain, and I shall feel hurt if these 'persons' fail to respond and leave me unable to accomplish my ambition."

We Don't Need Help.

The United States needs no help from England. New York, Boston, Washington and some of the other English warts on the face of American civilization may need English help, but Americans who have made America and in whose breasts the fires of patriotism burn, are strong enough and resourceful enough to whip any invading foe that dares to question the right of Americans to run the western hemisphere. We don't need any British gold or British gunpowder to do it, either. The spirit that fought the battles of 1776 stalks abroad in the land, and it is a sentiment that does not doff its hat to a gang of money mongers down in New York who, for a chance to save their Cuban investments, would see the navy of the nation in the bottom of the ocean.—Denver Road.

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TO TEST PUBLIC SENTIMENT

The Spanish Cabinet Will Await the Decision of Its Parliament.

Members Notified of a Change in Time of Assembling—Efforts to Secure Intervention of European Powers — The Resolution for War Before Congress Today—Gen. Miles Says President Can Raise All the Troops Needed.

Madrid, April 15.—At the cabinet council Thursday afternoon under the presidency of the queen regent it was decided to hasten the reopening of the Spanish parliament. The date for the assembling of the cortes was April 25, but parliament will now be summoned to meet on Wednesday next, April 20. The queen regent signed the decree calling for a national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish fleet.

Premier Sagasta made a statement on the subject of the recent developments of the Cuban situation as affected by events in Washington. He declared the situation was very serious and, while pointing out that "the debates in congress have no legal value," he deemed it advisable to expedite the reopening of the cortes "in order to allow national opinion and its representatives to declare the will of the people, and to enable the government to act in accord with the nation."

After the council the ministers reassembled at the ministry for foreign affairs and there discussed the question of sending a note to the great powers communicating the decisions arrived at and explaining the situation from the Spanish standpoint.

SENOR SAGASTA.

It is said that Spain's appeal will recite her grievances against the United States, stating in detail the many concessions she has made and pointing out that it was in response to the urgent representation of the powers that the last concession of an armistice was granted. If the powers determine to act, their influence will probably be particularly directed toward inducing the United States to grant Spain sufficient time within which to try the armistice recently proclaimed. During the recent action of the powers, their main influence was exerted here, the only action at Washington being the courteous expression of hope for peace; but the present movement contemplates that the influence shall be exerted in Washington, as it is the common belief in Madrid that the authorities have reached the limit of concessions and should now be given adequate time to try what they and the powers have offered as a means of restoring peace in Cuba.

The watchword in official circles is to remain on the defensive, firmly awaiting the development of President McKinley's action and the advance of American diplomacy. All sensible and far-sighted statesmen in Spain understand perfectly that the declarations of their own government and of President McKinley do not by any means make impossible a peaceful and conciliatory solution if circumstances permit. Besides they fancy that the European powers, particularly Austria, France and Russia, may yet have something to say and do amicably to check President McKinley when once he has entire control of the negotiations and the developments of the American policy in his own hands. In this strain of consideration the Spanish court and members of the cabinet do not despair or share the pessimistic impressions prevalent in the press and in political circles.

A cabinet minister who was interviewed said: "The true climax is approaching, but Spain is calm. She has done everything to avert war, and is now confident in her right and in the justice of her cause. She is ready to defend her fall and honor. When the American government communicates its decisions, Spain will stand ready to meet all eventualities."

The groups forming the majority in parliament will meet next Tuesday. Sagasta, the premier, will confer with the leaders of the minority, explain to them the reasons for hastening the assembling of the cortes and arrange with them to constitute the new chamber as rapidly as possible in the hope of being able to begin public business by the 23rd.

MURKINESS OF THE SKY.

Madrid, April 15.—The feeling in Madrid is stronger than ever. All parties are uniting against the government, and there are sinister references to the "Austrian," which mean that the queen regent, who has never been popular in Madrid, is rapidly falling into increased disfavor. The feeling against her Majesty is exasperated by the quotations from the English and French papers of the suggestions of Emperor Francis Joseph respecting Cuba.

In addition to those arrested for the demonstrations, warrants are out for a number of prominent Carlists and notorious revolutionists. It is evident that all the animosity of the crowd is directed against the government, and not against the United States.

A letter just received from the Philippine Islands says that all the troops which were embarking for Spain at the time the communication was mailed were marched hurriedly to various towns in the interior, where the rebellion against Spanish rule has been renewed. It is added that over 20,000 well armed men are now in the field. There have been several engagements, and several Spanish priests have been massacred. Nobody appears to know how the Philippine insurgents, who had been disarmed, according to general report, were rearmed; but the belief prevails that Japan had a hand in the matter. The captain general of the Philippine islands, it is further alleged, has been concealing the facts in the case from the government.

WEYLER THEIR HOPE.

Madrid, April 15.—The feature of the opposition press is the endeavor to bring General Weyler to the front and make him the champion of the cause of revolution, under the guise of a saviour of the national honor. The general undoubtedly has numerous followers, and even the newspapers which, ever since his return from Cuba, have violently denounced him, are now hailing the former captain general of Cuba as the one man who can save the situation.

The País, under large headlines, reading "Great Treason—Spain is Sold," says: "It is in the atmosphere one breathes. It is on all lips. It is sticking in our throats and palpitating in our hearts. When ready to fight, we have been vilely sold. Yesterday we were men; today we are women; but the country will avenge the treason." Then The País turns to General Weyler, after having been unfriendly to him for a long time, and exclaims: "General Weyler is not alone in appreciating the present dishonor. He is backed by numerous Republicans, patriotic Carlists, the Robledo conservatives, which party is composed of many senators and deputies and the representatives of the provinces; all the loyal Spaniards in Cuba, with the volunteers, the leaders of the army, who blush under the stigma of the armistice, and he will have the support of the masses, who are only waiting for a guide and leader. General Weyler is not alone. No general and no political personage has more followers today than he has. May General Weyler not disappoint the hopes of so many patriots."

The military press is divided in opinion on the subject. The Courier thanks the ministry "with a contemptuous kick," adding: "Our pen falls from our hand as we contemplate the cowardice on one side and the villany on the other. It is impossible to write of it seriously. We must be governed by the hermaphrodites of Athens, and must hide the tear which runs down the cheek while the lips curl in supreme sarcasm. We laugh while our teeth clinch, the bile turns in our stomach, anger heats our blood, and our hands instinctively seek an avenging weapon."

REGENT WOULD ABDICATE.

Madrid, April 15.—The Madrid correspondent of The Morning Post, telegraphing by way of Biarritz, says: "The queen regent has informed the members of her court that it is her intention to abdicate immediately if the cabinet takes any steps derogatory to Spain's honor and dignity."

ONLY TALK.

Washington, April 15.—Thursday began in the senate with the usual assembling of enormous crowds and with a large attendance on the floor. The routine business was transacted with evident impatience, and Senator Davis sought the first opportunity to move that the senate proceeded to the consideration of the intervention resolution. The motion having been adopted, Senator Hoar sought recognition, but Senator Turner of Washington, a young, black-mustached statesman from the west, whose income from his gold mines reaches a million a year, secured the floor.

Mr. Turner spoke without notes, and with great deliberation. He made a bitter attack upon the president for pursuing "a weak and puerile course, full of evasion and equivocation and having for its object the binding of the American people and the muzzling of the American congress." He charged that the Maine report was held back at the suggestion of the president, in order that the delay might be utilized in further dickering and dealing with Spain. Congress has been cajoled with iridescent and evanescent promises that have not yet been made good. European capitalists have chuckled at our delay and indefinite policy, and the pope declares to the queen regent that "the president has been placed in a position where it is difficult for him to decide what course to pursue."

Senator Hoar could not join in the criticism of the president, who, he emphasized, represented the American people. "I approve what he has done and said," continued Mr. Hoar, "and what he has not said and done. I like his holding back for a peaceful solution so long as there was a thought that peace could be had with honor. Do you think, when you criticise this brave American soldier's love of peace, what war is and who suffer by it? The persons who

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EVERYTHING POINTS TO WAR

General Weyler Says That Conflict is Inevitable.

He was Called to Madrid by Government—Spanish Newspapers Say War is Certain—Spanish Fleet to be Strengthened—Washington Despatches Create Intense Excitement—Senator Cullom Predicts War Within One Week.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 14.—Noon.—General Weyler arrived here today, apparently called by the government. He considrs war with the United States inevitable.

The newspapers here regard war as inevitable. The last despatches from Washington have created profound excitement throughout Spain, and the Spaniards protest against the "villas imputation" setting forth that Spanish officers were responsible for the loss of the Maine. It is asserted here that proof can be furnished to show that no torpedoes have ever been laid in Havana harbor. The Official Gazette tomorrow will publish a decree organizing a national subscription to strengthen the Spanish fleet.

SPANISH FLOTILLA.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands, April 14—The Spanish armored cruisers Cristobal Colon and Maria Teresa have arrived here. The Spanish flotilla is still in these waters.

SENATOR CULLOM'S VIEWS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Glesburg, Ill., April 14.—A letter from Senator Cullom has been received here. Regarding the war situation the senator says: "We are on the verge of war and will be in the midst of it in probably another week. It is a serious thing to contemplate, as it will be a war on the sea instead of on the land, largely and we do not know much about sea warfare of late years."

GOVERNMENT BUYING STEAMERS

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 14.—The navy department today purchased the fleet lake steamer, Venezuela. The terms were not made public. Negotiations for the Paris and New York, the American steamship company's big transatlantic liners, it is stated, are still in progress, the question being one of terms merely.

CROWDS FLOCK TO SENATE

That Body the Centre of War Elements.

Davis' Resolution Laid Before the Senate—Senator Turner Sharply Criticised the Administration—Spanish Minister Preparing to Leave Washington.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 14.—The action of the House of Representatives yesterday in adopting its declaration upon the Spanish-American situation, made the Senate today the storm centre of the war elements.

The chaplain in his invocation, made a beautiful and touching reference to the 88th natal day of the "Patriarch of both branches of Congress" (Mr. Morrill of Vermont). Mr. Hale (Me.) presented a memorial from the national civil club of Brooklyn calling attention to the necessity in the event of war with Spain, of repealing some of the present navigation laws.

The message was received from the House transmitting to the Senate the Cuban resolution passed by the House. By unanimous consent at the request of Mr. Davis, chairman of the foreign relation committee, the resolution yesterday reported by the foreign relations committee was laid before the Senate.

Mr. Turner (Wash.) began a speech in which he sharply criticized the administration for its "vacillating and irresolute, cowardly and pusillanimous policy," pursued by it in the Cuban situation. He said that the developments of the past weeks have shaken his faith in those who had the President's ear and confidence.

Mr. Turner declared himself strongly in favor of the resolutions presented by the minority of the committee on foreign relations and for so doing he needed no further justification than the magnificent state paper which accompanied the majority report. That paper overruled all irresolution and impotence. Mr. Turner maintained that Congress should not delegate to the President the power to make war.

After vehemently attacking the President for the delays which had occurred in the sending of his message to Congress, Mr. Turner charged that the delay last week was not due to the request of Gen. Lee, but to the fact that Archbishop Ireland had cabled to the Vatican in the hope that the Holy Father might be able to bring about a peaceful solution of the difficulty. The President was waiting upon the Pope's action taken to secure that which American diplomacy had failed to obtain.

Mr. Hoar followed Mr. Turner. He thought the present was no time for impassioned rhetoric and manifestations of approval of war sentiment.

The Senate will not vote on the Cuban resolutions before tomorrow night.

IN THE HOUSE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 14.—Some of the House republicans are already organizing a movement looking to the acceptance of the Senate resolutions when they pass that body. They fear that if the resolutions go to conference concessions may be made and delay may follow. The Senate resolutions being the more vigorous, please many of the Radicals better than the House resolutions.

SPANISH MINISTER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 14.—Spanish Minister Polo y Bernabe has made formal preparations for immediate departure when Madrid instructs him to leave. The French ambassador will care for Spain's interests.

A PERILOUS JOB.

The attention of quite a number of passersby on Market street this afternoon was attracted by the strange sight presented by Charles Davis, the well known bricklayer and two other men who were busily at work on the top of the big chimney on the Carpet corporation. Though in a most perilous position, the men appeared perfectly at ease and frequently walked to the edge, and looked over, much to the nervousness of those who watched them from below.

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FOR ILLEGAL SELLING.

At the Lawrence police court yesterday William J. Hanrihan of the Franklin House, Lawrence, was fined $150 and received a sentence of three months in the house of correction for maintaining a liquor nuisance. He appealed.

FATALLY INJURED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Millbury, Mass., April 14.—Word was received here this morning that Alexander Ritchie, a blacksmith, was fatally injured and John Fitzgerald, James Chase, and John Simons, stonecutters, were badly hurt by an explosion of dynamite in Leavitt's granite quarries, East Douglas, last evening.

A ROUGH VOYAGE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, April 14.—The White Star steamer Majestic which arrived this morning from Liverpool encountered a succession of heavy west and north west gales with high seas nearly the entire voyage. At midnight of the 11th inst., a steerage passenger named Hans Poulson, aged 16 years, disappeared and is supposed to have jumped overboard.

NOT A CITIZEN.

A French American citizen writes to The Sun to say that Dr. Rochette, who Mayor Bennett favors for city physician is not a citizen of the United States. If this be so, the Mayor's nomination of Dr. Rochette will not meet with much favor from the aldermen.

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BY SLOW EVOLUTION.

Thus, Says Henry White, Must Come Improvement of the Wether.

Under the auspices of the People's Institute of New York Henry White, general secretary of the United Garment Workers, delivered an address recently in which he said:

Fifty years ago, when labor saving machinery was yet in its infancy, the relations between employer and employee were quite friendly. The functions of the employees were fraternal. But now things are changed, and the breach between the two classes seems to widen daily. The rich become richer and the poor poorer. Why is this? It is because there are so many unemployed in the labor market who are forced to compete with the employed, lowering wages and spreading misery.

Trades unionism is trying to root out this evil which is menacing society by quiet but persistent agitation. The improvement of the condition of the masses cannot be brought about by a general uprising of the working class. The salvation of suffering humanity is a matter of evolution—slow, but sure. The trades union is the most powerful factor in this evolution.

If the number of the employed were reduced gradually, we should soon reach such a condition that there would be enough for everybody and all discontent would disappear. We have innumerable statistics to show that if the people have the courage to grapple with the question a general eight hour day could be established in a few years. The evolution would be very gradual, but certain. I know it to be a fact that if every workingman worked eight hours a day and child labor is abolished every man in the country may have work enough to support his family decently.

Reforms could then be introduced which would have a reasonable chance of being successful, because the people would then be intelligent enough to adopt them. A man working eight hours a day has leisure enough to educate himself. When the people are dull and stupid, like cattle, reforms have no effect. They may be introduced by intelligent and energetic enthusiasts, but the seed which is sown falls on barren ground. There is no response. Those for whom the reforms are intended are too dull to grasp their significance and value.

Another evil, the tendency of which is to aggravate the misery brought on by the vast hordes of the unemployed, is the tendency of the agrarian population to migrate to the centers of population. More and more laborers from the farms come to the cities every year. The cities are already overcrowded, and these agricultural workmen bring starvation and suffering of every description in their train.

Work should be made more congenial to the agricultural laborer. His hours of labor should be reduced. He should be treated like a man, and he should be decently paid. It is the imperative duty of our legislators to influence legislation in the direction of improving the condition of the agrarian population. They would only be protecting the interests of their constituents.

Another good way to thin out the unemployed in the large cities would be for the government to colonize the great stretches of fertile lands in the west. Colonization is a great remedy for the overcrowding of the labor market. There is room for all in the great plains of the west. Nobody denies this. It is only necessary for a few courageous men to take the initiative and start the movement.

All those who had studied labor problems at all admit the correctness of my arguments. All that is needed is for these arguments to be brought to the attention of the public.

Brotherhoods Federated.

A special from Indianapolis to the Cincinnati Enquirer says: The semi-official announcement is made, although the fact has been guarded with much secrecy, that the federation of the railway brotherhoods, not including the engineers, has been accomplished, but that the federation will be kept open until Oct. 1 in hope that the engineers will yet approve the movement.

The consolidation of brotherhoods has been mooted for years, and after many plans had been suggested and disapproved the grand officers finally originated a scheme which was voted upon by the different brotherhoods and approved by an overwhelming majority, the engineers not included. The details were consummated during March at Peoria, Ills., and confidential circulars are now being distributed saying that the new order has been effected.

Should Work Together.

The amassing of great wealth by any one man is a thing that is wrong. Today the churches are beginning to wake up, and I am anxious to see them give their sympathy and support to the cause of labor and the principles that are being advocated by labor unions. The latter, it is true, go through periods of folly and periods of strife before coming to the period of good sense. They do not gain anything by strikes, but they do gain by the spirit of love and forbearance. The church and the unions ought to go hand in hand, for their purposes are alike inasmuch as they labor for the realization of the kingdom of God.—Rev. John P. Peters.

Machines on Government Work.

The Copper Plate Printers' union of Washington is asking the support of organized labor to prevent the introduction of power presses to be used in printing United States notes, revenue stamps and other securities. The machines would displace over 100 employees. A similar effort to introduce power printing presses in this department was made by the government several years ago, but the opposition of the steel and copper plate printers' organization led to its abandonment.

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A BIG SENSATION

In State Legislature Caused Yesterday.

BY REP. BENNETT'S ATTACK ON BILL HAYES.

Bennett Breaks Down and Weeps.

While riotous scenes were being enacted in the National House of Representatives yesterday afternoon, there was another sensational scene occurring in the House of Representatives of this state in which Rep. Bennett of Saugus, was the principal character.

The debate up to the point where Mr. Bennett delivered a verbal assault on Senator Bennett and others interested with him, and declared that they were a "gang of speaking thieves" trying to get their hands into the treasury of the commonwealth up to their elbows, was not of particular interest, and was listened to languidly by the members of the house.

Previous to this, however, Mr. Grimes of Reading has told the house that Mr. Bennett of Saugus fought "like the monarch" on one of his sheep farms.

"He fights with his head and without reason," said Mr. Grimes, "and all you have to do is to step one side as he comes and let him butt his head against the nearest object."

Mr. Bennett replying referred to "the sneaking hypocrites who have taken retainers from Senator Bennett," and declared that "if the chairman of the committee on roads and bridges (Mr. Grimes) had Senator Bennett's money in his pocket" he could not have shown more aptitude for the north shore route.

The speaker at this point warned Mr. Bennett that he was using unparliamentary language.

Mr. Bennett said he would try to do better, but retorted that it was difficult to keep within parliamentary grounds when "such a wicked, rascally piece of thievery was going on."

Mr. Bennett was in the area in front of the speaker's desk, and was speaking with very evident passion, to the evident amusement of chairman Grimes of the committee on roads and bridges.

"Look at him!" shouted Mr. Bennett, pointing at Mr. Grimes. "Size him up! Isn't he the kind of a man that goes whining through his nose pretending to take high moral ground."

He proceeded to pay his respects to Mr. Hayes of Lowell, who opposed him on a highway matter one day last week.

"The gentleman from Lowell," said he, "is usually in accord with a notoriously pretty good fellow in the lobby. And it will be noticed that the votes of the gentleman from Lowell usually agree with the expressed opinion of the good fellow in the lobby."

Mr. Bennett apologized and try to go on, but he could not do so, and the house was obliged to gaze in silence at a strong man's tears.

"I want the House to understand that I feel very deeply upon this matter," said Representative Bennett incoherently.

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PTOMAINE POISONING.

It Is Said There Is No Antidote For It That Science Knows.

Physicians are not wholly agreed as to the accuracy of the diagnoses which ascribe to ptomaine poisoning the death of eight persons in New York city within a week, and yet it is a coincidence which they cannot explain that all but one of these were taken ill after eating sea food, the symptoms being identical in every case. One man who died of ptomaine poisoning, as reported by his physician, was taken ill after eating beefsteak. Shad roe and oysters had been eaten by the others who are reported to the authorities as having been poisoned to death by ptomaine.

The best authorities say that a most thorough chemical analysis would be necessary to establish beyond question that any of these cases was due to ptomaines developed in stale fish or meat. The only autopsy performed was that one which revealed that Anton Sulli was suffering from organic disease of such nature that an attack of indigestion, which a healthy man would have thrown off, would be likely in his case to cause death. In his case the indigestion was due to shad roe, but no chemical examination of the stomach was made, so that it is impossible to say that his death was due to ptomaine poisoning.

There are many persons in New York who will not eat fish unless they know that it was taken from the water within two or three hours of the time that it appears upon the table. Mr. Depew is one of these. He was made very ill once because he ate fish that was not fresh, and he has since then eschewed it.

The physicians do agree, however, upon one point, and that is that if those persons who died after symptoms resembling ptomaine poisoning did really eat sea food or fish in which ptomaine had been developed, then their death was certain, for there is no antidote that science knows. If a sufficient quantity of infected food is eaten to cause death by ptomaine poisoning, then death will follow as certainly and almost as swiftly as though prussic acid had been taken.—Holland in Philadelphia Press.

SCHOOL FOR CHINESE LADS.

Pittsburg Chinamen Propose to Teach Them Yankee Ways of Doing Business.

"There are several hundred Chinamen in and around Pittsburg," said Mr. C. S. Fowler of that Pennsylvania city recently, "and they are going to inaugurate a plan by which a number of young Chinese lads will be brought over to America and given an education, embracing mastery of the English language and Yankee ways of doing business.

"The proposition is to establish a school for that purpose, and there is hardly a doubt that the enterprise will be carried out. A Chinaman who has a young brother at home will be glad to defray the boy's expenses to the United States and his schooling while here so that he may go back and assume a position of influence in his native land by reason of his mastery of modern business methods. The Chinese are enthusiastic on the subject and many of them have announced a willingness to subscribe money.

"It will be a good thing not only for the Celestials, but for the United States, for since there is going to be sharp competition for the trade of the east it will be a good idea to have dealings with Americanized Chinamen. Germany has been for a long time at work encouraging the coming of Chinese youth to the schools of the fatherland, for she wants a share of the fat commerce of the empire. As a consequence, the German language is heard over there oftener than any other foreign tongue. If we can, by pursuing the same tactics, cause many of the young men of China to come here to be educated, we will get our share of the oriental trade."—Washington Post.

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suffer by modern wars are not the men who provoke them. Every modern war is a burden upon the poor man, while the glory is reaped by a few officers and stock jobbers."

He admitted that the insurgents were entitled to American sympathy. "Our hearts are stirred," said he, "by their noble struggle for freedom." At the same time, the insurgents were not altogether without blame for the system of warfare practised in Cuba. He quoted Clara Barton in support of this statement, paying her a high compliment. He did not, however, think that the action of the Cubans should prevent the United States from intervening. He appealed to the senators not to be divided on any technical question or to make partisan political capital out of the situation. He said that it was perfectly right to expel Spain from the island. "With this," he said, "we are all agreed. Peace can only come with the expulsion of Spain from Cuba." This being the case, he added, he was perfectly willing to give the president power to intervene at any time when circumstances rendered it necessary. It was within the constitutional right of congress to delegate this right to the president. He thought that the house resolutions were admirable, but that whatever congress might do, "all other things will be added to us by the inexorable and inevitable logic of events."

Mr. Davis asked that a vote be taken before adjournment. To this objection was also made. Mr. Caffery said that the good interests could be subserved by hasty action. There could be no relief that would be substantial given to the reconcentrados, who were the worst sufferers by the Cuban struggle.

"Those poor people," interjected Mr. Morgan, "are now dying at the rate of 1000 a day, while we are inactive."

Mr. Frye said: "I will tell the senator from Louisiana (Mr. Caffery) what relief can be given to the reconcentrados. The pathways from the United States to Cuba will be opened by our ships of war and, following in those pathways, will go the vessels of peace, loaded with food and provisions for the starving people of Cuba which will be distributed among them for their relief instantly upon a landing on the island."

Mr. Carter said: "The country requires that we act and not talk on this matter."

When the senate adjourned Senator Davis, in charge of the resolution, repeated his intention to ask the senate to sit continuously unless an agreement to fix a time for a vote can be secured. "I see no other way of bringing the matter to an issue," he said. "I do not enjoy night sessions any more than other senators, but I appreciate the importance of getting the speeches off and of securing a vote at the earliest possible hour."

Anxious as Senator Davis and others of his mind are for a speedy vote, the indications are for considerable delay. The vice president already has received requests from about 20 senators for recognition to speak and others are expected to make similar application. All these insist that they have no intention of speaking for the purpose of causing delay, but nevertheless they will consume many hours of time. It would seem now that even in case of continuous session a vote would not be probable before tomorrow.

All day long conferences of senators were held looking to a possible agreement upon the form of resolution to be sent to the president. Great efforts were made for the house resolution, which was known to have been satisfactory to the president and which was supported by the conservative senators. It is not believed that the house resolution can pass the senate, and the prospects are that the committee resolution will have an amendment recognizing the republic of Cuba before it is passed, the friends of recognition claiming a clear majority for it. The conservative senators believe the house proposition will win in conference, the impression being that the house will refuse to yield and, in order to prevent further delay, the friends of Cuba in the senate will accept the house proposition.

Mr. Fairbanks declared that Spain must make amends for the blowing up of the Maine. He hoped to see the independence of Cuba secured, but he was not prepared at present to favor the recognition of the independence of the so-called republic. The first imperative duty resting upon us was to establish tranquillity in the island, relieve the suffering and distressed, and then enable the citizens of the island to deliberate and form a government upon such lines as their highest and best interests required. In conclusion, Mr. Fairbanks said: "The Spanish flag must be withdrawn and cease forever to contaminate the air of this hemisphere. To the high and holy cause of humanity we dedicate the lives and fortune of the republic."

DECLINED COURTESIES.

Washington, April 15.—Until Thursday the Spanish minister has continued to accept the numerous courtesies extended to him, including the hospitality of the cabinet officials and others high in the government service. In view, however, of the reports of foreign committees in congress and of the grave trend of affairs, he has decided not to accept further courtesies of this character, as it necessarily involves his coming into close personal relations with public men who may have participated in the denunciation of Spain in official reports.

It is the feeling in diplomatic circles that under ordinary circumstances the action in congress—the report of the two foreign committees, the passage of resolutions by the house, and the character of the debate—would make it incumbent on the Spanish minister to leave without further awaiting eventualities, which are now regarded as unavoidable; but against this it is known that the Spanish government will not, either by the withdrawal of the minister or any other step, place itself in a position of having invited a recourse to war. On the contrary, the entire policy at Madrid, it is said, is to remain passive until the United States not only makes the tender of war, but executes it by unmistakeably overt acts.

It has further been developed as the policy of Spain that she will resist armed intervention in Cuba as an attack upon her sovereignty. Although unofficial suggestions have appeared in the inspired press of Madrid that a protest might be made against that feature of the president's message suggesting armed intervention, a protest has not been made, nor, it is said, is there a present probability that it will be made. The only certain feature in this regard is that the Spanish cabinet has resolved to yield to no pressure, no matter how great, toward American intervention in Cuba, but to accept such act of intervention as meaning war.

EXCHANGE OF NOTES.

Washington, April 15.—It is learned that another exchange of notes has been begun among the European powers with a view to making representations on the Spanish-American situation. The present movement is not of the same mild character as the former one, and it is the general impression among diplomats that there will be little difficulty in arriving at a common ground. In view of the prevailing sentiment abroad. It is not so certain, however, that all of the powers are ready for a step of this character. Germany has of late shown a disposition to avoid exerting strong influences on the United States. Russia is also thought to be somewhat indifferent. France and Austria are most active in the present movement as they were in the former one. Whether all of the six powers are ready to join in the movement is in doubt, and without this united action it is felt that the force of such influence would be lost.

VIEWS OF LEE AND SIGSBEE.

Washington, April 15.—The testimony taken by the senate committee on foreign relations on the various phases of the Cuban question constitutes a book of about 650 pages and includes not only the testimony taken since the disaster to the Maine, but also much that was taken before, and running back for a year or more. The statement which contains the greatest current interest is that made by Consul General Lee, who said regarding the loss of the Maine: "I am satisfied the explosion was from the outside. I cabled the state department a few days after the board assembled that it was almost certain that the explosion was from the exterior. I have always had an idea about the Maine that, of course, it was not blown up by any private individual or by any private citizen, but it was blown up by some of the officers who had charge of the mines and electrical wires and torpedoes in the arsenal there, who thoroughly understood their business, for it was done remarkably well. I think the explosion came from some of the subaltern officers who had been there under Weyler, and who were probably anti-Blanco, anyhow, and who had full knowledge of the business."

Captain Sigsbee, in command of the Maine at the time of the disaster, was examined on March 31. He repeated his opinion that the Maine was destroyed by a mine, but in his opinion no larger than could be planted near the vessel at any time in broad daylight, and under direct vision, with the means available in Havana for that purpose. He thought 12 men, having mutual confidence and preserving secrecy, could have planted it, and that it could have been done while the ordinary discipline and watchfulness was observed on the ship.

NEWS TO BE WITHHELD.

Washington, April 15.—Gradually the lines are tightening around the news centers of the navy department. Some time ago Captain Crowninshield, chief of the bureau of navigation, issued an order forbidding any of the employes of his bureau giving out news except on permission from him. This did not interfere with the posting of the movements of the ships Thursday. However, the officials gave notice that hereafter no more information would be given to the public respecting the arrival and departures of vessels from any of the United States or foreign ports. This is done under explicit orders from Secretary Long, who believes that in times of a great crisis like the present, when the navy is likely to be called into active requisition, the best interests of the government require that no publicity shall be given to the movements of the ships composing it.

RAISING OF TROOPS.

Washington, April 15.—Major General Miles, commanding the army, said yesterday that considerable misapprehension exists in regard to the raising of troops in the event of war. He thought the people should understand the situation more thoroughly than appears to be the case at present.

"In the event of the passage of the resolution reported by the senate foreign relations committee," said General Miles, "the president would have authority to call into the service of the government militia to the number of about 12,000 men. The third section of the resolution directs and empowers the president 'to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the actual service of the United States the militia of the several states, to such extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.'"

TWO LONDON PAPERS.

London, April 15.—The Times says editorially: "Spain's note to the powers can have no effect except perhaps to delay the issue. The powers certainly will not intervene; while if they did neither the United States nor Spain would listen. It is doubtful whether, even if President McKinley regained his authority over the situation, he could now stem the tide of popular sentiment in America for war."

The Morning Post advises Spain to act promptly, "as every day's delay increases the probability that the force against her will be stronger than it is now."

AN ALLIANCE SUGGESTED.

London, April 15.—The Daily Chronicle from what it calls a "well-known correspondent," signing himself "Anglo-Saxon," prints a remarkable letter advocating an overt Anglo-American alliance to compel the liberation of Cuba without war by an overwhelming display of force. Commenting on this letter, The Chronicle thinks it "an opportune moment to seek to bring about such an alliance or entente, especially in view of the common interests of the United States and Great Britain in China."

DEED OF A FIEND.

New York, April 15.—In Brooklyn yesterday Luigi Menterello, a barber, invited Giovanni Lombardi, 60 years of age, into his shop to be shaved. In the midst of the operation of shaving, Menterello drew the razor across Lombardi's throat, and fled. Lombardi started in pursuit, but soon dropped dead. Menterello gave himself up. It is said that a feud had existed between the two men.

KILLED A BOY.

Bristol, Vt., April 15.—While A. J. Crane was amusing several children last evening by firing a small cannon, after having warned the little ones to keep a proper distance, the cannon exploded and a piece hit Jesse Hickey in the face. The boy died within an hour after the accident.

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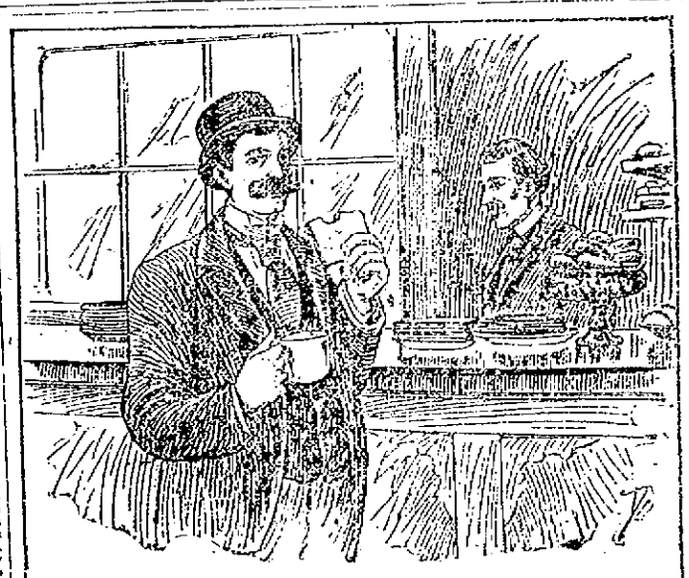

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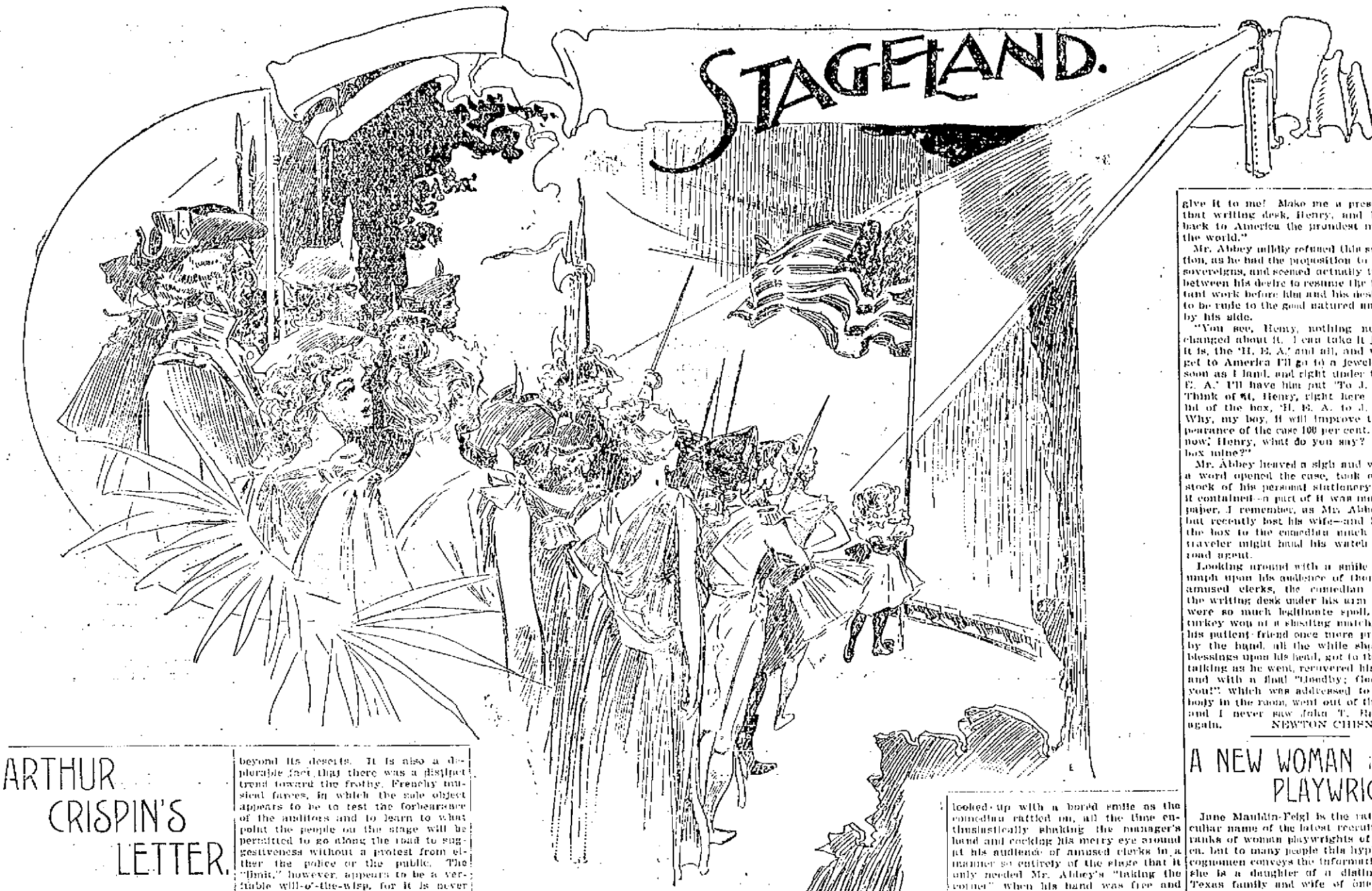

ARTHUR CRISPIN'S LETTER.

Theatrical News and Gossip of the Week in New York City. Rumors From the Rialto.

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New York, April 14.—The theatrical season in New York, as in many of the smaller cities of the country, is now fairly on the wane. Several of the houses here have already closed, and others will do so shortly. Every season has to wane and eventually come to an end, and that condition is of itself not significant, but the fact that this particular season has seen fit to go into the waning business so early is decidedly ominous. I asked a prominent manager the other night for his explanation of this undesirable change. He followed the fashion of the day by asserting that the bicycle is responsible for the early falling off in patronage. As, by common consent, the bicycle has been blamed during the last few years for every change in business conditions, this theory was not a particularly novel or satisfying one. But the manager then condescended to go a bit further, and I think he contrived to really strike at the root of the evil.

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He said that there are too many theaters now and that cities which a few years ago were veritable Klondikes for traveling companies have degenerated into tolerably fair two-night stands which one is obliged to play for a week, and of course lose money. The success of the original houses tempted so many persons to go into the business that the goose that laid the golden egg was speedily laid low herself. The show business is not alone in the tendency to fall into these blunders, but I'll wager that it can show more and bigger mistakes than any other profession in the country, for when it comes down to doing that which no sensible man would regard as even worthy of consideration for a moment the theatrical magnate is always well to the fore, with his hands eagerly stretched beyond the line.

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And, speaking of the practically ended season, it has been unique in many respects. Business on the road has been ghastly enough to make Banquo's ghost hide his diminished shadowiness in shame. A few shows have made money in the smaller cities, but those which were so fortunate can be named in a few seconds, while those which either came to grief or had a hard time to avoid it are so numerous that the list would fill a good deal of space in this column.

Here again has the curse of too many theaters made itself felt. Towns which ought to have a single place of amusement and about two shows a week have three or four theaters and possibly three performances a week in each. There is just about so much money to be spent in amusements in any place, and when that is divided by 9 or 12 instead of by 2 the quotient is bound to represent discouragement and disappointment for the manager.

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In this city, on the other hand, business has been exceptionally and unexceptionally good. Those entertainments which were really worthy have had long runs and have made small fortunes for their projectors. There has, it is true, been a paucity of good plays, and the result has been that much of no special value has been patronized far beyond its deserts. It is also a deplorable fact that there was a distinct trend toward the frothy. Frenchy musical farces, in which the sole object appears to be to test the forbearance of the auditors and to learn to what point the people on the stage will be permitted to go along the road to suggestiveness without a protest from either the police or the public. The "limit," however, appears to be a verifiable will-o'-the-wisp, for it is never reached, and each year in this city sees the audacity of certain exploiters of "legs and lingerie" increased. There are those who believe that these people will take a different tack next season, not because of any change of heart, but for the reason that while the public is apparently willing to tolerate any amount of indecency at which the police do not relet, the field has been so thoroughly threshed over that there is no longer a possibility of providing the so called "startling novelties" which New Yorkers like to delude themselves into believing are the only things they will tolerate.

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The final authoritative announcement that Viola Allen will positively try starring next season has set the tongues of the gossips along the Rialto to wagging overtime. As in all such cases, these fellows predict certain and dire disaster for the talented leading lady of the Empire theater stock company. They give many reasons, chief among which is that "she is not well enough known."

She is certainly much better known than was Maude Adams, whose success as a star has eclipsed that of any other stellar debutante of the past decade. I am inclined to think that the recent turn in the affairs of Miss Adams and Henry Miller has had much to do with influencing Miss Allen to strike out for herself, but these two remained with Mr. Frohman and had the influence of his name and management. It is whispered that no matter what denials may be made it is still possible that Miss Allen will arrange with Mr. Frohman to handle her initial starring tour. If she should do that, there could be little question of the successful outcome of the enterprise.

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But, if Miss Allen's break from the Empire company has caused the Rialtoites to chatter like magpies, what shall be said of the effect produced upon them by the announcement of the name of her successor? As has been stated generally, Miss Jessie Millward is to take the place made vacant by the retirement of Miss Allen. Miss Millward is best known in England as an exponent of the heroines of melodramas such as are exploited most frequently at the Drury Lane theater, London. She nearly always played the opposite parts to William Terriss, who was recently murdered by a crank. She was to the feminine side of high grade melodrama what Terriss was to the male side. She was a co-star with him on a tour of this country, which is said to have been fairly, though not superlatively, successful, and it was the opinion of many persons whose judgment is entitled to consideration that Terriss was much the better performer of the two.

Still, no one will contend that Miss Millward is not a competent actress. The only point at issue is as to whether she will be able to win the approval of audiences and critics accustomed to the careful and always artistic work of Miss Allen. As Mr. Charles Frohman is a notoriously cautious man when it comes to the selection of a successor to a public favorite and has never yet made a mistake in that direction, it is but fair to assume that he had some very potent reason for engaging Miss Millward.

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The matter, though, which has irritated the Rialtoites so greatly is that Mr. Frohman should have gone to the other side of the water for a new leading woman for the Empire company. They argue that, even conceding that no woman here is better fitted for the position from a histrionic standpoint, there are many in this country who are certainly more peculiarly adapted to the roles which usually fall to the lot of the leading lady of the Empire, by reason of the possession of youth and great beauty. This is ungallant and not wholly true. Miss Millward is of course older than she was some years ago, but she can "make up" to look very young on the stage, and while she is not as beautiful as Lillian Russell or Maxine Elliott she is a very comely woman. She is what might be called "vivid" in her stage methods, and it is more than likely that she will win her way into the hearts of the patrons of the Empire theater, particular and captious as they sometimes are.

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If ever a woman deserved sympathy at the same time that she excited admiration, that woman is Julia Arthur. When, immediately after the beginning of her initial starring tour in "A Lady of Quality," everything she had in the world was burned in a theater in Detroit, her friends feared that she would simply give up and go back to a position in some other company. But they must have been woefully ignorant of this young woman's character. She set to work at once to have everything replaced and opened her New York engagement on time. Then she began to make money again, and when things looked brightest for her she was stricken with a serious illness, which came nearer to having a fatal termination than most persons imagined. Still, she has been a great success and can now take her pick of the bookings in the most prominent theaters of the country. She will have absolute rest this summer, and it is predicted that she will be as strong as ever when the next season opens.

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And while on this topic it may not be amiss to call attention to the fact that the person who has stood between Miss Arthur and trouble whenever it has threatened is Arthur Lewis, her brother, from whose first name she took her stage surname. This was Mr. Lewis' first season as a manager, and he was beset at the beginning by scores of annoyances which would have discouraged most people. Everything he did in the direction of exploiting his star was ridiculed by the "old timers," who cannot be brought to believe that anything that is original can be meritorious. The fact that most of these same ideas have since been widely imitated ought to be some solace to the youthful and talented manager for the many gibes with which they were at first greeted. It may not be generally known, but it is true, that while the fire in Detroit was still raging Mr. Lewis telegraphed an order to this city for a complete reproduction of the elaborate "sets" which were at the moment sizzling and crackling merrily in the fiery vortex at which he was vacantly gazing. The sister has lots of pluck; so has the brother, and so long as the business relations of such a pair continue it is hard to figure out how failure can ever fix its blighting touch upon them.

Arthur Crispin.

A Nimble Young Acrobat.

Nine-year-old Amy Hardcastle of Philadelphia is a wonder in her way. She is one of the most nimble little dancers and acrobats in the country, and the score or more of medals that decorate her breast show that her talents have been appreciated. She dances on her toes and on her heels, turns somersaults and handsprings backward, frontward and sideways, and besides is a very clever little singer. It is rumored that she has closed an engagement to appear in London.

A NEW STORY TOLD ABOUT H. E. ABBEY.

Interesting Scene Between the Famous Manager and John T. Raymond That Took Place In Abbey's London Office.

The late Henry E. Abbey was very busy in his London office one day in August, 1883. A number of clerks at desks in different parts of the room were hard at work, coming now and then with unfinished paper in hand and receiving a quiet word of instruction from their chief, or advising with one another, comparing documents or consulting ledgers, but all working industriously and silently. The place was far more suggestive of the executive seat of some gigantic commercial house than the office of a showman. It was near the opening of Mr. Abbey's season at the Lyceum theater, London, and of his still more important operatic venture at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, besides Henry Irving's first tour in America under his management.

Mr. Abbey himself was busier than any of his clerks. His table was heaped with papers. At one side, and devoted entirely to his private and personal correspondence, lay a magnificently bound alligator leather writing desk ornamented with silver trimmings and with Mr. Abbey's initials in large silver letters upon the lid. The busy manager was writing slowly, but so intently and cautiously that the importance of his work was evident. Now and then a messenger, cap in hand, would silently give him a telegram or a cablegram, which he would read and answer without a word and then resume his work. Suddenly the door was thrown open, and this almost solemn silence was interrupted by a hearty voice that any American would have recognized in a moment in whatever part of the globe he might have heard it:

"Hello, Henry! Here I am. I start for Liverpool at 4:18. I couldn't leave without bidding you goodby."

It was John T. Raymond. He came in with a valise in one hand and an umbrella in the other. I think, too, he wore a linen duster. He began to speak before he was seen, he was speaking as he entered and continued to speak with scarcely an interruption until he made his exit. It was like his first entrance in a new comedy. The scene was his, and he held the stage until he left it. His walk was always funny, and as he came forward to shake hands with his managerial friend his "business" of stowing his umbrella under the arm and holding his valise, instead of placing both on a chair or on the floor as he might have done, was altogether professional.

Mr. Abbey laid down his pen and looked up with a bored smile as the comedian rattled on, all the time enthusiastically shaking the manager's hand and cocking his merry eye around at his audience of amused clerks in a manner so entirely of the stage that it only needed Mr. Abbey's "taking the corner" when his hand was free and slowly separating his crushed fingers one by one to complete the old time stage business.

"Yes, Henry; I'm going back to America today; start for Liverpool in one hour; take the 4:18 train." (Looking at his watch.) "No, by Jove! I haven't got an hour. How time flies! Well, goodby, Henry, old boy. Any special message for your friends over the pond? No? All right, then. I'm off for the great republic—the land of the free and the home of the brave! England's all right, you know, Henry, but then America—ah, America! Well, goodby, old man. The best of luck to you."

"Goodby, John. The same to you and a pleasant voyage." Mr. Abbey had arisen and, evidently glad the interruption was nearly at an end, was smiling good naturedly, but with a tired look, and shaking hands with the enthusiastic comedian. By the time John had reached the door Mr. Abbey was seated at his desk again and with pen in hand was only waiting for the comedian's disappearance to resume his work. On reaching the door, however, the retreating actor stopped as if suddenly reminded of something of the utmost importance, dropped his valise to the floor, and, still retaining his umbrella in one hand, while fumbling in his trousers pocket with the other, flew back to Mr. Abbey's desk.

"Henry, before I go—I've only got one left—one solitary English sovereign. Come, now, you match me or I match you. Which shall it be?"

"No, no, John. You must excuse me. I'm very busy, and"—

"Call it, then. Here goes, now," tossing the coin in the air. "What is it? Come, now, give it a name."

"No, John, really," protested the annoyed manager, no longer concealing his impatience to resume his work. "I can't. I'm very busy, you know, and"—

"All right, Henry. No sporting blood today, eh? Then I suppose I'll have to

HENRY E. ABBEY.

take this 'quid' back to America with me, but I'd rather leave it with you," making a pretense of going and returning immediately. "Come, now. Just once. What is it? Head or tail? No? Very well: Goodby, Henry." This time Mr. Abbey did not arise when he shook hands. Just then the comedian's eye lighted on the magnificent writing case on the manager's desk.

"Well, Henry, that is a beauty! Let me look at that for just one moment," taking it up without further permission. "Now, Henry, do you know, this is positively the most magnificent thing I have ever seen in all my life. A writing desk and such a writing desk! And these silver letters, 'H. E. A.?' Oh, yes, of course, I see, 'H. E. A.'—Henry E. Abbey? Well, well! Why, this is fine enough for a gift to an emperor! A gift to an emperor? Ah, a good idea—give it to me! Make me a present of that writing desk, Henry, and I'll go back to America the proudest man in the world."

Mr. Abbey mildly refused this suggestion, as he had the proposition to match sovereigns, and seemed actually in pain between his desire to resume the important work before him and his desire not to be rude to the good natured nuisance by his side.

"You see, Henry, nothing need be changed about it. I can take it just as it is, the 'H. E. A.' and all, and when I get to America I'll go to a jeweler's as soon as I land, and right under the 'H. E. A.' I'll have him put 'To J. T. R.' Think of it, Henry, right here on the lid of the box, 'H. E. A. to J. T. R.' Why, my boy, it will improve the appearance of the case 100 per cent. Come now, Henry, what do you say? Is the box mine?"

Mr. Abbey heaved a sigh and without a word opened the case, took out the stock of his personal stationery which it contained—a part of it was mourning paper, I remember, as Mr. Abbey had but recently lost his wife—and handed the box to the comedian much as the traveler might hand his watch to the road agent.

Looking around with a smile of triumph upon his audience of thoroughly amused clerks, the comedian tucked the writing desk under his arm as if it were so much legitimate spoil, like a turkey won at a shooting match, shook his patient friend once more profusely by the hand, all the while showering blessings upon his head, got to the door, talking as he went, recovered his valise and with a final "Goodby; God bless you!" which was addressed to everybody in the room, went out of the door, and I never saw John T. Raymond again.

NEWTON CHISNELL.

A NEW WOMAN PLAYWRIGHT.

Jane Manlitin-Feigl is the rather peculiar name of the latest recruit to the ranks of woman playwrights of America, but to many people this hyphenated cognomen conveys the information that she is a daughter of a distinguished Texas family and wife of one of the most successful young newspaper men of New York city, Colonel Fred Feigl, editor and proprietor of The Tammany Times. Mrs. Feigl has been known, both in her native state and in her adopted home, as a writer of clever verse and good literary matter. She even tried her hand at editorial work on her husband's paper, with such success that the desk she usurped one day in a spirit of fun remained her undisputed possession for over a year, for she belongs to the type of fearless, independent Texas woman who does not hesitate to tackle anything from a bucking broncho to a typewriter.

It was in much the same spirit that she first attempted playwriting. As is usual with young writers, her first effort was a problem play of almost melodramatic cast. This she submitted to A. M. Palmer, who, as was to be expected, returned it. But his reasons for declining it were rather complimentary and encouraging than otherwise. They were that two plays, one by Sardou and the other Dumas' "Denise," which Mrs. Feigl's piece somewhat resembled in style, had failed in America, and he feared that the public did not care for any more in the same line. However, he liked the comedy of the piece and asked that, if Mrs. Feigl should ever turn her hand to lighter playwriting, she should submit the results to him. This gave her the suggestion of "A Paris Model."

The comedy was written amid many interruptions from an infant son, who claims even more of Mrs. Feigl's attention than her literary work, and every evening she awaited the receipt of a telegram from his nurse announcing his good health with more interest and anxiety than she did the rising of the curtain on her comedy. On the night that the play was produced the telegram was delayed, and the author-mother was on the point of taking the train for New York to see if her son was all right, leaving the baby of her brain to its fate. And when, in response to calls for the author from the audience, the actors went to hunt for her they found her hidden back of a piano reading and rereading the dispatch announcing that the son and heir of the Feigls was all right.

Moreover, this new dramatist has not advanced beyond the point where she thinks nobody can teach her anything. On the other hand, she is constantly courting criticism and seeking suggestions. As a result the play was considerably improved in several minor details during its stay here. Bright bits of business were introduced and superfluous dialogue was eliminated, all tending to knit together still more compactly a very cleverly constructed comedy. The principal change was that of the nationality of the ubiquitous janitor from German to Hibernian, this being more in keeping with the true conditions of affairs in metropolitan baldom, which is so cleverly caricatured in this comedy.

It was also decided that Leo Dietrichstein, as the broken down French tenor, was too good to keep, so an entrance was devised for him in the first act. Mme. Pilar Morin is also given more opportunity for the display of her pantomimic talents, which are remarkable, and Miss Haslam, whose performance of the leading comedy role was excellent from the outset, has even improved upon that by experience, which goes to prove the dictum that plays, comedies especially, are constructed rather than written, and few of them are as complete at their first performance as was "A Paris Model."

David Belasco has provided a fund to award a medal annually to the best student in each of two classes in the American Academy of the Dramatic Arts of New York city.

STORIES OF THE STAGE.

Della Fox Has an Adventure on the Rail—Melville Stewart and the Bookseller — Humble Life of a Famous French Comedian.

A very funny story is told—not by the advance agent—of a little experience Della Fox had on a certain railway trip from Washington to New York. It seems that Della and her manager, Nat Roth, left Washington together on a Saturday night train immediately after a night's performance. They sat up enjoying the scenery by moonlight until the train pulled into a station near Baltimore. They were to stop some time, and after a moment's thought the comic opera star got off to take a look at something in the depot. She was gone about ten minutes, and what was her consternation upon returning to see the train pulling out about 500 feet up the track. For a moment she was dazed, and then, raising her skirts enough to show the crowd of loungers on the depot steps a decidedly well turned ankle, she struck out after the vanishing train.

A brakeman on the last car waved her back, and after a thought of the wildness of running after a train she stopped. Then she remembered that Roth had all her ready cash and started again. After a breathless trot of about 60 rods she finally saw the impossibility of catching the train and gave it up. But, lo! on turning around in deep despair she found her own train quietly waiting on a side track, with a crowd of laughing men on every platform. Another train had pulled in and out while she was in the depot, and it was that that she had chased. And Della blamed Nat for the whole business.

A pathetic story is credited to Melville Stewart, the baritone of the Castle Square Opera company. Before he went on the stage he was a clerk in a London bookshop. "One of our most frequent customers," says Mr. Stewart, telling the story, "was a shabbily dressed man. Now and then, after purchasing a shilling novel, he would ask to look at some edition de luxe of standard English authors. He would handle the books with trembling hands and return them to me with such reluctance that I knew he was a book lover. I missed him for nearly a year, when he came back to the store leading a child, dressed in mourning, as he was, and I could see she must be his daughter. He said to me with almost pathetic timidity:

"'I want you to prepare for me an edition of Dickens bound without regard to cost and with the best insertions that you can get of Cruikshank's engravings.'

"I did so, and they were the most beautiful copies of the great novelist's works I ever handled—the covers in russia calf, soft as a baby's cheek; the thick, uncut paper printed in the boldest type. After that I became very friendly with this gentleman and discovered his life story. He had been a poor, unfortunate clerk, with a bachelor uncle who was wealthy, but who denied him all his life what he was forced to leave him at his death. His wife had died just one year before the demise of the man who had caused her to suffer so many privations in life, and all the luxury and wealth that he gained were like the apples of Sodom to him, except as they gave him opportunity of rearing luxuriously his child. As I say, we became very well acquainted, and I called at his house frequently. I went there one afternoon and entered the library without knocking, as he always bade me do. I saw him standing in the center of the room, the most emphatic passed of men, apparently, to me. He held his hands behind him, I said to him:

"'I fear that I have intruded upon you!'

"He said, 'You have not,' and then, with a sharp, nervous laugh he reached out from behind his back, and, of all things in the world for a man of his wealth and library to possess, he stretched forward to me a ragged, tattered, worn and soiled copy of 'Little Dorrit.' The great tears stood in his eyes as he did so.

"'Mr. Stewart,' he said, 'you, of course, are surprised at my reading a book like this, with this magnificent edition of Dickens that you prepared for me, but the story of that sacrificing girl has had its effect on me, and, like her, I remember the vicissitudes and the unkindness of the world and can get more enjoyment out of turning the pages of this cheap edition than I could by reading from the one you sold me.'"

Frederick Lemaitre, the famous French actor who died in 1876 and to whose memory a monument is soon to be erected in Paris, began his stage career in a humble way. The Gaulois tells the story of his first appearance, which was in the theater of the Varietes Amusantes. Tall and athletically built, young Lemaitre presented himself before the director of the theater, who asked him what especial roles he wished to play.

"Oh, I'm not particular!" was the cheerful reply.

"Very well. Consider yourself engaged. From today you are a member of my troop at a salary of 30 francs ($6) a month. Are you satisfied?"

"I should be hard to please if I were not."

"In that case you may begin your work on the day after tomorrow."

"But—my part?"

"Oh, it will not take long to learn that. You have strong lungs? Just shout a bit to let me hear if you have."

Frederick Lemaitre gave a roar which shook the windows in their casements.

"Splendid!" exclaimed the director enthusiastically. "You will make a magnificent lion!"

"A lion?" repeated the astonished applicant.

"Why, yes, a lion. I predict certain success for you, considering how you can roar."

Two days later the young artist, enveloped in a magnificent lionskin, made his debut on all fours in a pantomime called "Pyramus and Thisbe."

RECENT TOPICS OF THE STAGE.

Samuel Bernard and **Maud Haslam** are to act next winter in "The Marquis of Michigan," and the place left vacant by Bernard in Weber & Fields' company will be taken by David Warfield, who has delineated a certain type amusingly in several New York Casino reviews without ever having given much variety to it.

A little boy of 13 went to the theater the other night. On the way home he said to his mother: "I'm going to write a good play. There won't be any engagements or marriages or any nonsense of that kind in it, but I'll have the actors do something on the stage all the time." If he can manage that, this little boy is the coming playwright.

Carrie Keeler supposed that she took the place of Beatrice Cameron Mansfield in the Mansfield company during the illness of that actress, but as not all the leading female roles were assigned to her she became angry and resigned.

At one of Loie Fuller's "At Homes," which in London and Paris are frequented by interesting men and women, Camille Flammarion and the late Alexandre Dumas met for the first time. The astronomer expressed some surprise that their paths had never before crossed. "Ah, cher maître," retorted Dumas gaily, "that is easily accounted for. You rarely come down from heaven, while I—never go up there."

Perhaps the money made out of "The Black Creek" exceeds the profits of any other American play. The title became a trademark for spectacular ballet over 20 years ago and has never been out of use, though now it is applied only to a female minstrel show in the low vaudeville theaters, and nothing from the original piece is retained.

Two young lovers in mimicry are also lovers in fact. They are Lionel Barrymore, son of Maurice Barrymore, and Angella McCaull, daughter of the late John McCaull. They are playing in "Cumberland '61," and the publication of their matrimonial engagement renders them such objects of interest that the audiences are amusingly alert to every word and movement in their scenes of wooing.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

TABLES WITH TEA.

We have received a new lot of Tables, one with a pound of Gc. Tea while they last. Dickson Bros., the Big Tea Dealers, 68 Merrimack street.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

T. C. Lee, Fire Ins., 223 Central street.

Steinert's removal sale of Pianos. Store to let, 34 Prescott street.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 439-4.

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There are stores where you'll pay $1.50 for the same watch work we charge $1.00 for. Harris, 10 Appleton street.

SLIGHT BLAZE.

The alarm from box 125 at 2.50 this morning was occasioned by a slight fire in Ellen Hennessy's tenement block in Quigley's Court. It caught in the rear end from an overheated stove and worked up through the roof.

THE GYPSIES

HAVE ARRIVED AT NO. 20 CENTRAL STREET.

Roving Frankis Band of Romany Gypsies form the Boston Zoo have taken possession of the large store at No. 20 Central street, which they fitted up with trees tents, and the place presents a true picture of gypsy life. There are six in the band and their patrons are mostly ladies. Everything about the camp is conducted in a nice, clean, respectable manner, and no doubt the gypsies will do a nice business while in Lowell.

RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

IN WHICH MR. HOSELY OF AYER RECEIVES SEVERE INJURIES.

A horse purchased by Mr. Hosely, an Ayer farmer, at an auction sale yesterday, ran away at School street railroad crossing, throwing the old gentleman out and fracturing his ribs. The runaway was hitched to the team drawn by the family horse, and being skittish, broke the rope, kicked down the hind wheel, and made a wild dash through Railroad street. Mrs. Hosely was in the wagon at the time with her husband, but escaped injury. Mr. Hosely was taken in the ambulance to the Lowell General hospital.

MOTHERS' CONGRESS

FROM MAY 2 TO MAY 7th INCLUSIVE IN WASHINGTON.

Definite state organization will be effected at the Second Congress of Mothers and duly accredited delegates from organizations working along similar lines, will be entitled to vote upon and amend the constitution and by-laws presented.

Each club of not less than five members will be entitled to a delegate. Clubs of twenty members or more will be entitled to two.

All clubs and organizations intending to send delegates will please notify the National office as soon as practicable.

Delegates from general organizations will be most welcome and will have special courtesies extended to them, but will not be allowed to vote upon Constitution and By-laws.

Visitors will also be welcome.

Special railroad rates have been secured over the main roads throughout the country one and one-third fare for the round trip.

The hotel headquarters during the Congress will be at the Ebbitt House, Fourteenth and F. street, N. W. Uniform rate, $3 per day.

The sessions will continue from May 2 to 7, inclusive, and will be held in the Grand Opera House.

The following are the topics of some of the addresses at this second congress of mothers:

"Some Social Aspects of Child Study," "Harmony at the Hearth," "Humane Education, Its Place and Its Power in Early Training," "The Mothers Who Need Help and How to Help National Training School for Women," "What Shall Be Taught and Who Shall Teach It?" "Nurseries," "The Training for Motherhood and the Public Schools," "Literature for Children," "Fireside Schools," "A Pure Press," "Expression Necessary to Evolution," "Our Defective Children: What Can We Do For Them?" "The Father's Responsibility," "The Industrial Plays and Games of Children," "Memory's Storehouse," "Education of Mothers," "The Child in Music," "Child Study and Religious Teaching," "The Ethics of Making and Spending Money," "The Children's Palace," "Some Common Errors in Regard to the Education of the Deaf," "Structure, Growth and Repair of the Little Human Machine," "Kindergarten Training a Necessity," "The Physical and Moral Effects of Worry," "Origin and Philosophy of the Don't Worry Movement," "A Little Child Shall Lead Them," "The Home as a Center of Patriotism," "The Relation of Parents to the Public Schools," "Our Birthright," "The Ultimate Purpose of the Kindergarten—The Development of the Life," "The Eternal Womanly," "Every Mother a Kindergartner," "Stories and Story Telling for Children," "The Physical Aspects for Child Life," "Children's Rights," "The Necessity of Training Schools for Nurses," "The Value of Domestic Science Lessons to Children and Others Equally Vital and Interesting."

There are to be in all, during the six days the congress is in session, from May 2 to May 7, inclusive, between fifty and sixty addresses from men and women well known throughout the country.

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BAND CONCERTS

Committee on Commons Will Pay for Four.

THEY WILL BE GIVEN ON THE COMMONS.

Base Ball Grounds at Fort Hill Park.

The committee on commons held a meeting last evening, Alderman Cosgrove presiding.

It was voted to instruct the superintendent of commons to place flowers in the park on Centralville hill and in Park Garden in Belvidere and that he also make such improvements as possible in keeping up the tone of these parks.

The committee decided to close the open stone arch at the Tyler Park fountain with a wire screen and run a pipe through from the back side to the front to afford a drinking place.

The question of laying out a ball field in Fort Hill park was discussed, but owing to a lack of funds, it was decided impracticable to attempt to lay out a regular diamond with a backstop, and the superintendent was instructed to roll the present field and put it in as good shape as possible with the means at his command.

The question of band concerts was brought up by Alderman Tuttle, who thought it was as well to settle the matter now as at some future time.

After some discussion it was decided that inasmuch as there was but $250 to be expended for music for concerts there could be but four during the year.

The concerts will be held on the north and south commons.

The matter of draining the South common was discussed and it was explained by Alderman Tuttle, who is on the committee on sewers that the latter committee is already at work, clearing out the sewer leading under the common.

SATURDAY'S SUN

The Sun will have twelve pages tomorrow. The special features will contain matter of general interest to all our readers. There will be an extensive article on "A Timely Lesson in American patriotism." This article has been prepared as special reading on Patriots' Day, which comes next Tuesday. It will be finely illustrated, the battle ground at Concord being shown as well as a grand portrait of Paul Revere. Albert P. Southwick's contribution this week is timely, inasmuch as it deals with a question in which we are all particularly interested. He will write of the strength of the Spanish navy and the article will be illustrated with a picture of the Spanish fighting ships in action. General Daniel E. Sickles, the ex-United States minister to Spain, will have a very pointed interview in tomorrow's Sun. Brides and bridal tours is the leading topic discussed in the women's page. The Mothers' Congress also is treated in detail. For the sport lovers, there is plenty of baseball, horse trotting, gossip and other topics that will please them. The page of laughs will be the funniest yet and the illustrations will be the most comical ever seen. Be sure to get a copy of The Sun tomorrow and reeely ethe benefit of these valuable contributions.

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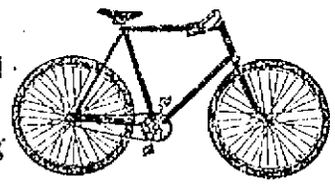

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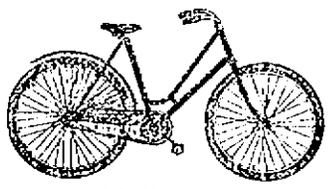

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Our Cloak Department is a whole store in itself. In it we carry all that's desirable in Jackets, Capes, Skirts, Suits, Silk Waists, Shirt Waists, Collarettes, Tea Gowns, Mackintoshes and Wrappers.

It is generally conceded that our prices are by far the LOWEST on like Merchandise.

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Remarkable Bargain For Saturday, Ladies' & Misses' Garments.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Suits.

Fine quality of Black Serge, lined throughout, both Skirt and Jacket, with good quality of silk.

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The new Blouse Suit, made of all wool broadcloth, trimmed with satin braid in black, blue, green, Yale, Cadet and tan. For Saturday only. A stunning suit.

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Tan Covert Jackets, trap seams, trimmed with pretty buckles, silk lined with fine quality of Taffeta. A remarkable bargain. For Saturday only. Worth $7.50.

$4.98

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Imported Covert Jackets, strap or fancy corded seams, lined throughout, including sleeves with expensive Taffeta, both fly front or new reefer style. A garment retailed usually at $15.00. For Saturday our price

$10.00

Ladies' Fancy Cloth Capes, trimmed elegantly with satin braid and steeled lined with fancy Taffeta, collar of satin ribbon. A small lot of 25. Worth $5.00. For Saturday.

$3.98

LADIES' TAILOR-MADE SUITS.

For Saturday we will have another lot of Jackets, made of light weight Kersey, in tans, 2 shades of blue, green, navy and red. Half silk lined. A great bargain.

$3.98

Children's Jackets, made of fine materials, prettily trimmed with braid and ribbon effects. A special sale of these goods. Prices from

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Millinery Dept.

A large assortment of Ladies' Bicycle Hats, in all the new styles and colors, also a large choice of Children's Tam O'Shanters, in all colors, to be sold Friday and Saturday, cheap.

A marvelous line of Trimmed Hats, in all the new shapes, such as Shepherdess, Napoleon Walking Hats, Panama Short Back Sailors, etc., etc., to be sold Friday and Saturday at most reasonable prices. A gigantic assortment of Wings and Quills, Jetted Flowers, etc., etc., at prices unprecedented. Come early.

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MISPLACED SWITCH

CAUSES AN ACCIDENT TO THE THEATRE TRAIN.

The theatre train from Boston met with a slight accident while proceeding slowly from the Northern depot to that on Merrimack street at 12.20 this morning.

According to the report, several of the cars were being backed down and the engineer had no way of telling whether the switch light was all right for him to go ahead. The result was that the end car crashed into a car standing on the next track and the woodwork of each was badly splintered before a stop was made.

There were several passengers in the cars being backed down, but they were not hurt except for the momentary fright given them.

It is understood that the man in charge of that switch and several others in the vicinity says they were all in proper condition when he left them. The two cars which collided will have to rest for awhile in the repair shop.

CORPORATION RETURNS.

Belvidere Woolen Mfg. Co.—C. A. Stott, treasurer. Annual meeting on March 1, 1898. Real estate and buildings, $87,279; machinery, $41,000; cash and debts received, $1269; manufactures and merchandise, $321,749; total, $461,296. Certificate filed April 1, 1898. Capital stock, $200,000; debts, $91,957; profit and loss and res. for depreciation $159,339; total, $451,296.

Sterling Mills, Lowell, B. Phipps, treasurer. Annual meeting, Jan. 19, 1898. Real estate and buildings and machinery, $80,000; cash and debts received, $1680; manufactures and merchandise, $254,357; total, $335,937. Certificate filed April 2, 1898. Capital stock, $100,000; debts, $89,027; profit and loss and res. for depreciation, $146,010; total, $335,957.

CARPET MILLS

MILLS RESUME WORK ON MONDAY FOR TWO WEEKS.

The Carpet mills which have been shut down for the past two weeks, will resume work next Monday.

It was stated at the counting room yesterday that the mills will run at least two weeks, a few days a week, as they have been running for some time past. Although eight days work with a probability of more isn't much of an inducement under ordinary circumstances, still it will now be gladly welcomed as the operatives have been out of work the greater part of the winter and many of them are sadly in need of money.

The Murray club of the First Universalist church held a chafing dish party last night.

There will be no session of the schools of the city next Tuesday, it being Patriots' Day.

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A SENSATIONAL SALE OF SEVERAL HUNDRED HIGH CLASS

FANCY WORSTED SUITS

We have just closed from the leading manufacturers of fine clothing in New England (whose names we are not permitted to use) their entire stock of high grade fancy Worsted Suits.

These suits are every one made from PURE WORSTED, without an ounce of cotton or shoddy.

EVERY SUIT is new, made for this season's trade.

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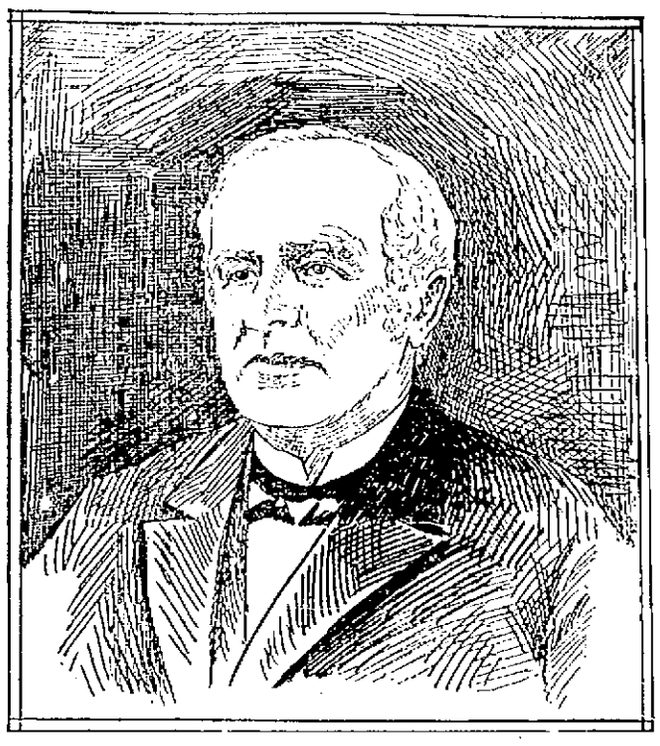

THE LATE SAMUEL HORN.

THE SUN LATEST EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK.

SPAIN'S NOTE TO POWERS

Charges Sugar Manufacturers With Causing the Revolt.

It Will Charge U. S. Consuls With Being Insurgent Agents—"Spain Compelled to Fight for Its Rights and Honor"—"All Nations Know the Cause of Maine Disaster."

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 15.—A special despatch from Madrid published this afternoon says: "The note to the powers will review the whole Cuban question, pointing out that all the trouble with the United States arose through the clamor of the sugar manufacturers, who, it is claimed, fomented and organized the entire revolt. Attention will be recalled to the alleged unmolested American filibustering.

The concessions made by Spain will be enumerated and the note will point out that while Spain has done everything possible to pacify the island, the consuls of the United States, it will be alleged, have conducted themselves as insurgent agents and the statement will be made that when autonomy promised the desired result an American squadron was sent to Cuba to encourage the insurgents to hold out.

These contentions, it is added, will be supported by documentary evidence which, it is alleged, will prove the bad faculties displayed throughout by the United States toward Spain.

The note to the powers will conclude with declaring that Spain, having exhausted every means of peace, is "reluctantly compelled to prepare for war and to fight for the maintainance of its rights and honor." Senor Sagasta, the Spanish premier is quoted in a special despatch from Madrid as saying, with reference to the destruction of the Maine having been caused by Spanish agency "This infamous calumny merits the reprobation of the whole world. All the nations know the true cause of the disaster and many American officials know it too, for the American government to make a plea of intervention upon heartless calumny of this character is to rebel against reason and justice. For this reason, it is impossible for us to refrain from protesting firmly also to the powers against imputation."

CALL FOR TROOPS

It May Come up Within a Few Days.

IT WILL BE FOR FIFTY THOUSAND MEN.

Elephants Offered for the Service.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15.—The question of how many of the militia of the several states shall be recalled into service for active duty when a call is decided upon, is engaing the attention of the President and the officials of the war department. The opinion was expressed by one of the latter today that when an order is issued concentrating the army at some of the southern points, the President will call for 50,000 of the militiamen. Some officials believe the call will come tomorrow or the day after. Secretary Alger was quoted as saying to some persons today that if Congress directed the President to use the land and naval forces in the case of war, in connection with the question of Cuba, a call by the President for 50,000 volunteers (militiamen) would be made within fourty-eight hours thereafter.

Orders have been issued directing General Merritt commanding the departments of the East and General Gorham commanding the department to hurry work on the artillery posts under their jurisdiction. The department today received word from a circus company that in the event of war 25 elephants would be put at its disposal for active service Cuba. Some of these animals have served in India and the swamps in Cuba would not interfere with their utility.

OFFICERS TRANSFERRED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

San Francisco, April 15.—Officers of the revenue marine service received orders detaching them from their vessels and were assigned to the navy. They are now under orders of the navy department.

WAR MATERIAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New Yrk, April 15.—The Welson line steamer Arengo, which arrived this morning from Newcastle, brought 250 tons of war material for the United States government, recently purchased in England.

WOLCOTT'S MESSAGE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boston, Mass., April 15.—Governor Wolcott has decided to send a message to the legislature this afternoon recommending an emergency appropriation of $500,000 to increase the efficiency of the state militia.

STRUCK BY TREE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

St. Louis, Mo., April 15.—Henry W. Hickman, ex-state railroad commissioner and a prominent democrat, was killed yesterday near Puxico, Stoddard county, while driving, by a tree falling upon him.

Another man who was in the buggy with Mr. Hickman, received injuries from the effects of which he died.

DEATHS.

ROBERTS—Martha D. Roberts died last evening at about 9.30 o'clock at her home in Tewksbury, aged 54 years. She leaves two sisters, Miss Frances E. Roberts and Mrs. Edwin Lovejoy of and one brother, Alpheus W. Roberts of Greenville, Me. The funeral will take place at her late home Monday next, April 18, at 2 p. m. Friends are invited to be present.

POLICE COURT.

The case of Herbert F. Sponholtz and Louis Deshien, who were arrested for an assault on James Scully during which the latter was badly cut in the face with a bottle, was continued. There seems to be a third party in the row and he will be brought in if he can be found.

Two bright little fellows named Lemieux, who live in Chelmsford, were charged with larceny of two hens from a Mr. Frazer. The only evidence against them was that Frazer had lost two hens and the Lemieux boys had been seen with two which they admitted to other boys to have sold. Frazer knew his hens, and he knew the Lemieux boys must have taken them, because young Tremblay said the hens were like the ones missed. The judge commanded that the hens be put on the stand for identification. Mr. Frazer looked at them and said they were not hens. The hens, taking advantage of the fact that the bag was open, walked out and hid in the waste basket. They were caught when missed and were returned to the bag with much squawking. The Lemieux boys were discharged.

Inspector Allen went to Lynn today and brought back a Lowell man who is wanted for non-support.

CALLED TO SPRINGFIELD.

The Advent church of Springfield has extended a call to Rev. Miles G. Nelson of this city.

Sam Orr says that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. They can't imitate the tone of our Jacob Doll Pianos.

PATRIOTISM HOT IN SPAIN

Over the Queen's Gift of a Million Pesetas to Navy Fund.

Great Enthusiasm Aroused Among the Masses—Populo Romano Says European Intervention will Take the Form of a Naval Demonstration.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Havana, April 14.—Havana is quiet. Consul General Lee's declarations are still commented upon and the press keeps attacking him.

Prominent people think that in view of the strong and energetic attitude of Spain, it is improbable that the United States will declare war, the American success being doubtful. Yesterday was marked by a general paralysis of business and there was little movement in the streets, but this was due chiefly to the weather. In the early evening the skies cleared, the temperature became cooler and a few people gathered in the Plaza D'Armes and Central Park.

WEYLER NOT COMING.

Rumors that Lieut. General Weyler is coming to Havana are unfounded. Tonight a report is again circulated as to a crisis in the Sagasta cabinet, but New York parties, more likely to be correctly informed, say the report is false.

QUEEN EULOGIZED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 15.—Great enthusiasm has been aroused here by the fact that the Queen Regent has headed the national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish navy by giving one million pesetas toward the fund.

The Imparcial (Independnt) commenting upon Her Majesty's action today, says: "Until yesterday people only saw in the august lady a virtuous queen; but since yesterday she has been known to be also a Spanish queen. Her gift of one million pesetas gains her millions of blessings." Referring to the political situation, the Imparcial remarks: "Senor Sagasta's government finally struck the Spanish note yesterday, the result being a reunion of the government and the people. Today we are all Spaniards; we forget party lines and we are united around the state."

CARLISTS CONDEMNED.

The Globo (Liberal) this morning severely censures the Carlist manifesto, saying it considers it unpatriotic, but revolutionary, and adding: "The government requires no spur to calmly defend the rights of the nation. It will not strike first, but it will return a blow."

POWERS MAY INTERFERE.

By Associated Press to The Sun

Rome, April 15.—The Populo Romano today says it understands that the powers of Europe will intervene between the United States and Spain in favor of the latter country and it adds that according to information gathered in well-informed quarters, the intervention will take the form of a naval demonstration in which all the powers will participate.

U. S. CONSULATE THREATENED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Barcelona, April 15.—Last evening, as the crowd was coming from the bull fight organized in favor of a national subscription for the navy, they took flags through the streets to the American consulate where they remained for several hours, whistling and shouting. The consul looked down from the window. The governor exerted himself to induce them to disperse. The press is unanimous in condemning the provocative attitude of the Spanish functionaries in the crowd.

PLANTED HAVANA MINES

Chas. A. Crandell, Alias Emaneul Escadaro Whom Weyler Employed.

Now Under Arrest and Admits Having Mined Havana Harbor—The Maine was Moored Over a Mine and Only Spanish Officials Could Explode Any of the Mines.

Chicago, April 15.—Charles A. Crandall, alias Emanuel Escadaro, who, acting under the express orders of Captain General Weyler during his military reign on the island of Cuba, is said to have planted the mines and torpedoes in the harbor of Havana, has at last been run to earth. He is in the custody of secret service agents, who will escort him to Washington, where he will give information of such a nature that will prove beyond possible peradventure that the Maine was blown up by a mine and her 265 officers and crew sent to their doom by agencies known to the Spanish and by design.

He said to his captors: "When the Maine was blown up I remained in hiding with a colored family near Fort Taylor, or the barracks, and as soon as I received word to skip out I took stowaway passage on the first steamer for Miami. The Maine was anchored at the identicnt buoy that General Weyler ordered me to place the additional mine, officially known as buoy No. 6. These mines were anchored by cable and chain. There were two sets, one that could be fired independently, that is the chain at the mouth of the harbor, and the others in the interior circle."

Crandall further says:

"From Miami I went to Nashville, Tenn., where I received the following letter from Havana, March 1, 1898:

" 'Destroy all evidence. Go to New York; ticket for London awaits you there. Signed, —Diaz.'

"This was from Weyler's most trusted adjutant and spy, who executes all of the edicts issued by Weyler from Spain.

"I did not go to New York, but went to St. Louis and from there came to Chicago. I was in hopes that there would be war, so that I might be on hand to play an active part and use the mines and torpedoes against the Spanish boats.

"The mines and torpedoes can be fired either from Morro Castle, Cabanas, or the navy yard, and it would have been impossible for any one other than a Spanish officer to have fired them, and no one but Weyler and his adjutants knew where they were or where the firing galleries were located."

Crandall avers that he was directed to assume the name of Escadaro by General Weyler.

He has several letters from Weyler regarding his work and a general military pass from that officer permitting him and five others to work unmolested and to use any of the boats of the navy at any hour or time he may apply for one. All of these he has turned over to the agents and they will be used at Washington. No blame can be attached to Crandall for his work, and he was sought for merely to furnish conclusive proof that there was a mine where the Maine was anchored.

MR. BAILEY SCORES REED

Democratic Leader Says Speaker Caused the Scene.

In the House of Congress Wednesday—Bailey and Dalzell Cross Swords—Democrats Cheer Their Leader—He Prefers Self Respect to Offering Insult.

Washington, April 15.—There was another lively scene in the House today. Rising to a personal explanation, Mr. Bailey said the speaker was responsible for the late scene in the House. Hot words were passed between him and Mr. Dalzil (Rep., Pa.) who alleged that Mr. Bailey was taking his daily airing and that he had, as the papers said, lost his head. Mr. Bailey responded angrily that gentlemen when insulted and called liars, were charged with having lost their heads if they resented it. He said he would infinitely prefer to lose his head in resenting an insult than his self respect in submitting to one. The House was keyed up to an intense pitch. The democrats applauded Mr. Bailey's utterances and the republicans broke into cheers when the Speaker with a voice trembling with suppressed feeling, declared that he would not enter into a discussion with Mr. Bailey. Whatever he had done on Wednesday last or any other day had been done in the presence of the House and of 1000 witnesses He scored Mr. Bailey severely and said he was ready to rest his justification on the judgment of those who had witnessed it.

Mr. Bailey attempted to reply, but regular order was demanded and routine business resumed.

Mr. Fleming (Dem., Ga.) as a matter of privilege asked that the committee of naval affairs be discharged from the further consideration of his resolution calling upon the secretary of the navy to know whether the report of testimony before the board of inquiry on the Maine disaster contained all the testimony taken by that board. The Speaker ruled that the Fleming resolution was not privileged.

POWERS REFUSE

Great Britain Refuses to Act Against This Country.

AUSTRIA WAS PUSHING THE NAVAL DEMONSTRATION.

The Powers Will Not Prevent War.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 15.—American ambassadors say the efforts toward a naval demonstration could not succeed, Great Britain having refused to join in such a move. The British foreign office does not believe the powers will make a naval demonstration.

A special despatch from Rome, referring to the rumors of a proposition to make an international naval demonstration off the island of Cuba, save Austria is taking the lead in the matter; but it is understood that Great Britain and Germany are not favorable to the suggestion. The Spanish ambassador made a long visit to the British foreign office today and later the Austrian ambassador called.

TWO SHOCKS FELT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

San Francisco, Cal., April 15.—Two slight shocks of earthquake were felt here last night, the first at 10.43, and the second at 11.07. The vibration here was not strong enough to cause damage, and none has been so far reported. The shock was felt in a number of small towns in this state and are said to have been most severe at Porta Costa.

BODIES RECOVERED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Vancouver, B. C., April 15.—The steamer Packsham which arrived here yesterday from Dyea, reports that the search for bodies in the Chilkoot Pass has been concluded. Sixty-two bodies had been taken out altogether.

WEAVERS MEETING.

The Weavers' Protective union held its weekly meeting last night. The report of last week's convention was accepted as read. It was voted that a corps of additional mill collectors be appointed consisting of 10 from each of the large corporations, making about 70, independent of the four outside collectors. After the business meeting a social dance was enjoyed.

BRYAN ARRIVES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, April 15.—Wm. J. Bryan arrived here today from Washington and left at 9 a. m. for New Haven, Ct., where he is to deliver an address.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

There will be a meeting of Lowell Council, Knights of Columbus, this evening, to take some action upon the death of their late lamented brother, Michael F. Clark.

Next Friday night, the Pawtucketville Athletic club basket ball team will go to Nashua and play a military team at the armory in that city.

AN ALLEGED SHORTAGE.

Athol, Mass., April 15.—Much interest is aroused in Petersham over the absence of ex-Town Treasurer C. H. Glasheen. Glasheen had been treasurer two years. He failed to be re-elected, and about 10 days ago, when he was expected to turn his books over to his successor, he left town, as he claimed, on a business trip. Nothing has since been heard from him by the selectmen, who suspected something was wrong. Their suspicion was increased by the arrival of Postoffice Inspector W. R. Snow to look over the accounts of the office where Glasheen is postmaster. The selectmen opened the safe, and an examination of the books shows an alleged shortage of $1200. It is also alleged that the accounts of the postoffice are badly mixed.

The North Billerica Hunting club will hold a bird fly Patriots' Day.

MISS BREWSTER'S SANITY.

Montpelier, Vt., April 15.—Additional testimony as to Miss Brewster's mental condition was introduced yesterday. Jennie Clay testified that on the evening before the shooting, Mildred and others were at the home of Alexander Clemens, and that Mildred asked for a hymn-book, but in attempting to sing "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," she broke down and cried. Mildred asked the witness in an earnest way to commit suicide. Witness saw Mildred and Wheeler together the night before the tragedy. Witnesses testified that the respondent had relatives who were insane.

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The Homeric lecture by Prof. Jatros at Mrs. Dickinson's residence yesterday afternoon, was well attended.

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LOST—BETWEEN H. H. WILDER & CO.'S store, Market street and the Central Block, a tan colored alligator skin pocket book containing a sum of money. Reward at H. H. Wilder & Co.'s, 29 Market street.

FOR THE CHILDREN. Just received a large lot of wheelbarrows to be given away with one pound of tea, Gaslen Bros., Tea Dealers, 77 East Merrimack street. Tel. 693.

BUY A JACOB DOLL PIANO—75 Pianos to select from, in different makes. The Jacob Doll Piano is the talk of the town. If you haven't one your neighbor has. Doll Pianos everywhere. For sale by SAMUEL GICK, Associate Building.

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1 lot All Wool Figured Novelties, regular prices 50, 62 1-2 and 75c. a yard, all marked to close at
25c. Yard
1 lot Colored Plaid and Plain Dress Goods, regular prices 35 and 37 1-2c., marked to close at
12½c. Yard
1 lot All Wool Light Colored Mixtures, regular 37, 50, 62 1-2 and 75c. qualities, marked to close at
19c. Yard
These goods are in three lots. Prices are 12 1-2, 19 and 25c. yard. Bought from a bankrupt firm at less than one half their actual cost and we propose to give our customers the benefit of these bargains in Colored Dress Goods.
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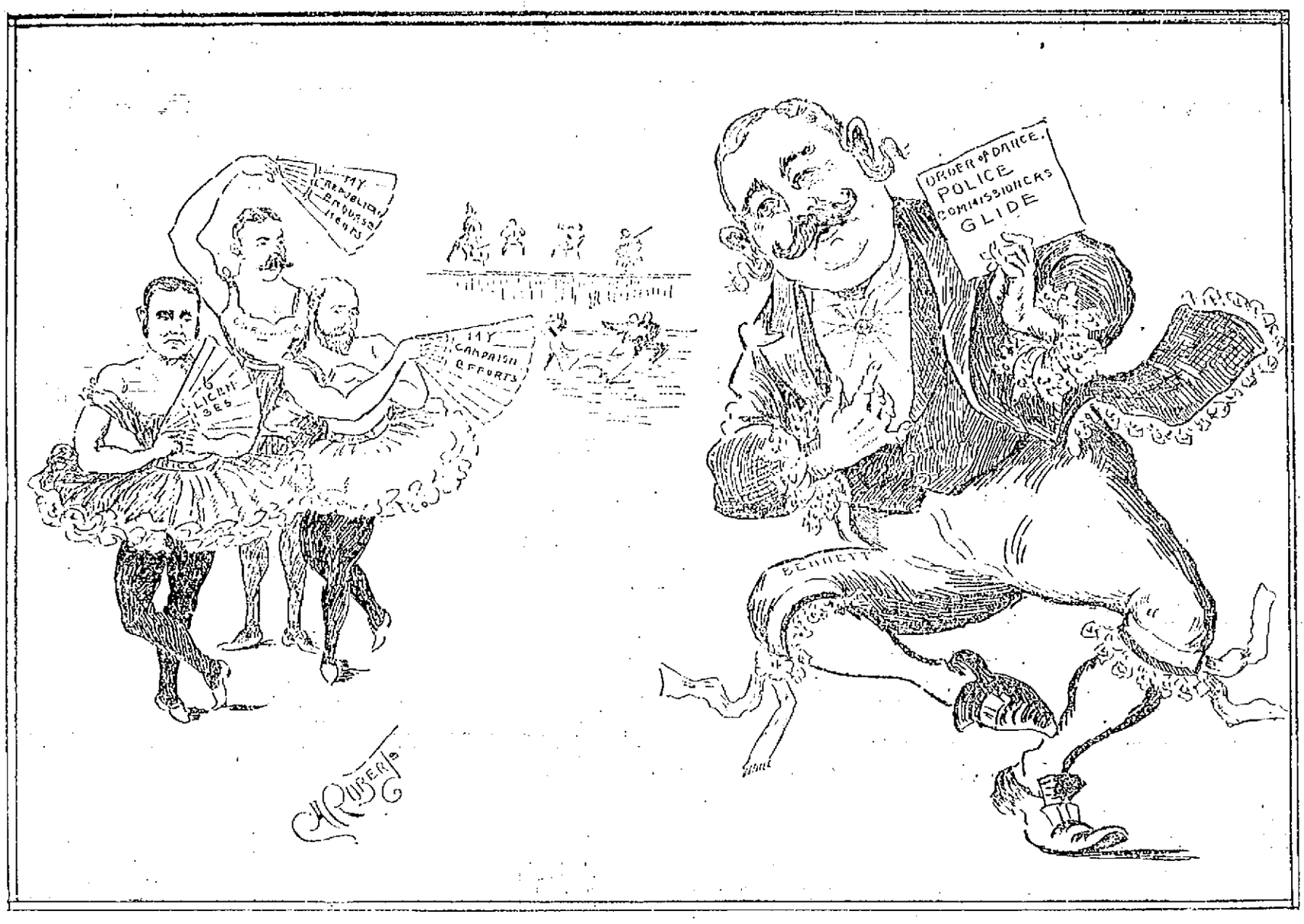

WHICH PARTNER WILL HE HAVE?

ON BEACON HILL

Rep. Bennett Was on Deck Again.

BILL ON HOURS FOR WOMEN AND MINORS

Defeated Without Much Ceremony Yesterday.

Boston, April 15.--At the opening of the session of the house yesterday Mr. Bennett of Saugus addressed the chair, and said that he regretted the unceremonious manner in which the business of the house was interrupted Wednesday.

There was some debate on the bill relative to the promotion of anatomical science, which provides that the authorities of pauper and insane institutions "shall" deliver to the dean of any regular medical college of the state bodies of persons dying in the institutions who have not requested to be buried and whose bodies are not claimed by relatives or friends within 11 days from the time of death. The law at present is a permissive one so far as the officials of institutions are concerned, and any physician or surgeon may apply for a body. A third reading was ordered.

Shortly before the adjournment of the house the question came up of suspending the rules to admit orders for the repeal of the charters of the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas company and the Boston Gas Light company. The first was refused admission and the second was laid on the table.

The bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors was defeated in the house, while the senate spent nearly its entire time in considering the Harvard overseer bill, without coming to a vote.

LIFE IN BOSTON.

Boston, April 15.—At the session of the grand lodge of Massachusetts, I. O. G. T., the proposed amendments to the laws of the grand lodge were laid over until next year. At the election of officers P. J. Chisholm was elected grand chief templar. All the newly chosen officers were later installed.

Joseph Taber, 39 years old, and married, took a dose of carbolic acid and died almost instantly.

At a meeting of the directors of the New England Agricultural society it was decided to hold the annual meeting at Rigby in August. Beside the three big stake meetings, a purse meeting will be held June 28, 29 and 30 and July 1, with nine open classes and five for Maine horses, with $100 purses.

The Massachusetts Audubon society met yesterday to protest against the slaughter of birds for millinery purposes. Dr. Charles Redgewick Minot presided and the attendance was large. In opening Dr. Minot emphasized the seriousness of this destruction for the interests of agriculture, it being a fact that birds slaughtered for women's dress meant so many insect pests let loose upon the farm and orchard.

GRAND ARMY OFFICERS.

Concord, N. H., April 15.—At the session of the New Hampshire department, G. A. R., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Commander, Albert S. Twitchell of Gorham; senior commander, Henry L. Worcester, Rochester; junior commander, D. H. Proctor, Wilton; medical director, Dr. G. P. Conn, Concord; chaplain, Rev. Isaac S. Vail; delegates-at-large, H. E. Severence, Exeter; delegates, Andrew Hanson, Contoocook, P. Q.; J. M. Crossman, West Concord; Charles M. Pike, Keene; W. A. Beckford, Bristol.

A CLEVER EXHIBITION.

Bridgeport, Conn., April 15.—One of the most notable boxing contests ever held in Connecticut was that in the Park City theatre last night before 2000 spectators. "Mysterious" Billy Smith and Joe Walcott were the principals, and they boxed 25 clever rounds to a draw. The men signed to box at catch weights, not to exceed 118 pounds. The Siler rules were followed.

The spectators included delegations from all over the state, with large contingents from New York and Boston. Betting was even and considerable money was wagered, but apart from those that had money wagered the decision was very satisfactory.

The first 10 rounds were probably the most clever exhibition of sparring ever witnessed in Bridgeport. Science was displayed that only men of the reputation of the principals could present. The rounds were hot, and Smith led and forced the fighting. After the 10th round Walcott evened matters, though in several successive rounds Smith seemed to have the best of it in fighting. The windup was the swiftest round of the night; both men rushed matters, but when the gong sounded they were on their feet fighting fast, and a draw was decided.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS DULL.

Washington, April 15.—The session of the house was dull and absolutely devoid of interest. The galleries and the floor were almost deserted. About a dozen bills were passed. All of them were of minor importance except the Curtis bill for the relief of residents of the Indian Territory. It provides for the settlement of questions involving 19,000,000 acres belonging to the Cherokees, Chickasaws, Creeks, Choctaws and Seminoles and now occupied by 300,000 whites and 80,000 Indians. It provides for the enrollment of 7000 intruders upon 127,000 acres of land. The lands are to be leased so as to give each Indian a share, mineral lands are to be leased by the secretary of the interior, and citizens in towns located on lands are to be permitted to buy titles.

MISS BREWSTER'S SANITY.

Montpelier, Vt., April 15.—Additional testimony as to Miss Brewster's mental condition was introduced yesterday. Jennie Clay testified that on the evening before the sanoting, Mildred and others were at the home of Alexander Glennors, and that I Bird asked for a hymn-book, but, attempting to sing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," she broke down and cried. Mildred asked the witness in an earnest way, to commit suicide. Witness saw Mildred and Wheeler together the night before the tragedy. Witnesses testified that the respondent had relatives who were insane.

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IN NO. BILLERICA

Royal Arcanumites Dance With Local Council

AT ITS THIRD ANNUAL CONCERT AND BALL

Held in Talbot Hall Last Evening.

It is a long time since the cosy dance hall of the Talbot Memorial building in North Billerica has looked as attractive as it did last night when gaily bedecked in vari-colored bunting tastefully arranged with an abundance of tropical plants and Easter flowers. It marked the occasion of the third annual concert and ball of the very popular organizations, North Billerica Council, Royal Arcanum, composed of the most progressive of the male resident of the North Billerica village, who are blessed with the most charming friends of the fair sex, so that it is no wonder that the social affairs are always of the most enjoyable character, drawing large patronage from all sides. Last evening's event was no exception to the rule, being grander than any of its predecessors. A large number of Lowell Arcanumites and their friends were in attendance and a special car to Lowell was run at an early hour this morning for the accommodation of Lowell people.

The evening's enjoyment began with a concert program by Brigham's orchestra of Marlboro, Mass., the numbers being as follows:

Overture, "Bridal Rose" .....Lavallee
Selection, "Bohemian Girl" .....Balfe
Cornet Solo, "Le Suisse" .....Liberati
S. E. Brigham.
Selection, "Fanchon".....Isenman
Piccolo Solo, "Fantasia" .....Demarre
J. J. Bradley.
Finale, Popular Airs .....Beadix
Mr. W. H. Brigham.

After the concert, the grand march was formed. It was led by Floor Director John Fairbrother, and Miss Lucy Morris, followed by Herbert Ellis and Miss Daisy Blood, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stott, John J. Connolly and Miss Mamie McKenzie and about 75 other couples. The march displayed to good advantage the many pretty gowns worn by the ladies. At the conclusion of the march, the enjoyment of an order of 23 engagements was begun. At 11 o'clock refreshments were served in the room below in charge of Mrs. James A. Routh and Mrs. John W. Broadbent, assisted by the following young ladies as waiters: Ruth Brown, Mary E. Stott, Lizzie Haigh, Essie Morris, Lily Buckley, Louise Collins, Annie Dowds, Mary Emmett, Mamie Bradley, Maggie Hughes, Alice Campbell, Marion Routh, Mamie Meehan, Minnie Callahan, Nellie Campbell, Mamie McDermott, Ethel Morris, Annie Shaughnessy, Frances McCarthy, Maggie Collins, Mabel Morris and Madge McCarthy. After the intermission, dancing was resumed and kept up until the early hours.

The officers of the affair were as follows: General manager, John W. Broadbent; assistant, Ernest Stott; floor director, John Fairbrother; assistant, Herbert Ellis; aids, Martin Conway, Edward L. McMahon, John J. Conley, William S. Taylor, William J. Cowdrey, John Meehan, Joseph Brown, George Shaughnessy.

Reception committee—John Hughes, Arthur W. Holden, John Brown, Lawrence W. Buckley, William J. Emmett, J. A. Routh, James H. Gannon.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Christopher J. Smith, O.M.I., pastor of St. Mary's church in San Antonio, Texas, the past 12 years, will sail from Portland Friday, on the Dominion Line steamer Labrador for France. He goes with Very Rev. J. M. Guillard, O.M.I., to attend the general chapter of the Oblate order, to be held in Paris for the choice of a superior general. This will be Fr. Smith's first trip abroad. He will return about the middle of July.

The engagement is announced of Miss Maude Jones and Rev. Fred E. Coburn.

Mrs. Charles R. Gebhard of Marlborough street gave a charming luncheon yesterday afternoon in honor of her guest, Miss Jessie M. Noyes of Boston.

Mr. Horace Wilder of Marlboro and Miss Mary L. Allen were married at the home of Mrs. A. H. Parks of Chelmsford yesterday. Fred W. Parks was best man and Miss Mattie Hall was bridesmaid. After the marriage a grand wedding feast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Wilder will reside in Marlboro.

THE CROCHET CLUB.

The Crochet club held a box party in Pilgrim Hall last evening. Mrs. L. Anderson was general manager; Mrs. Marsh was floor director, and Miss Frances McCoy was assistant floor director. The aids were Misses Annie Dailey, Ferguson and Marsh and Mrs. Jackson.

EASTER SALE.

The annual Easter Sale of the Ladies' Aid society of the Westminster Presbyterian church was held in the vestry last night and there was a large attendance. Mrs. D. T. McKinnon was matron of the sales tables and Mrs. L. Archibald had general charge of the dining room.

GENEROUS LOOMFIXERS.

The loomfixers of this city received a receipt for $162 from their brother loomfixers of the New Bedford strikers.

Really, it is simply wonderful to see the rush of people to 119 Merrimack street, to buy home sites of the J. W. Wilbur Land company, the most liberal and progressive firms of home builders in the United States. The Wilbur company is composed of real philanthropists, for they help the people to secure homes and pay for them on the most liberal terms imaginable, and yet the company is not in business for its health, as that is already robust. Where the company's philanthropy comes in is in making a lot of money for its customers and just a little for itself. The company is in every way responsible and has a commercial rating which assures a strict compliance with every promise or representation made by its representatives. You can have confidence in everything which the company's representatives tell you.

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When thirsty? Water.
Now use the same good common sense, and what would you give them when they are too thin? The best fat-forming food, of course.
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50c. and $1.00, all druggists.
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BASKET BALL.

The game in Associate hall this evening will be between the Burkes and the Company C team of Nashua. The latter are the champions of New Hampshire and will give the Burkes a hard battle to win. The game should be largely attended, for the contest is just as important as any ever played here. The game will be called at 8 o'clock sharp, as the Nashua boys will come down on an early car. The Burkes will present their regular team and they expect to come out on top.

Rev. Fr. Heasey, who is the curate at Rev. Fr. Gleason's church in Roslindale, is visiting in this city and is stopping at St. Patrick's parsonage.

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ONE UNIFORM PRICE ON THE ENTIRE LOT.
The lot contains Cheviot and Serge Suits in blue, black, brown, green and garnet, Covert Suits in green and brown, Sacking Cloth, with black satin folds, for trimming most all fly front styles, a few blouse and short coat styles, every suit was made to retail at $14.00, $15.00 and $16.00. We will offer the entire lot at one uniform price for Saturday only, $10.00.

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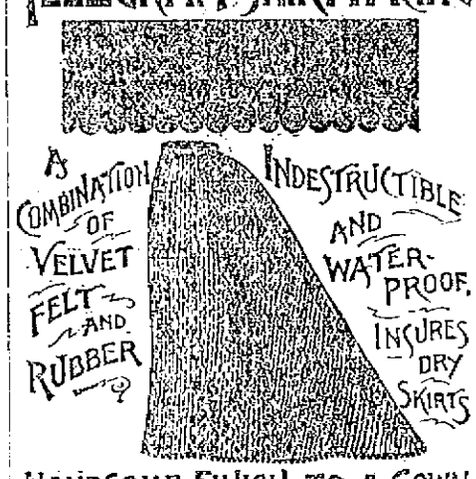

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LOT 2.—10 dozen extra heavy Butler Moreen Skirts, made with deep flounce, an extra width, was made to our special order to retail $4.50,
Saturday's Price $2.98 Each.
LOT 3.—5 dozen extra quality Changeable Taffeta Silk Petticoats, umbrella style, corded flounce 12 inches deep, a regular $7.50 value,
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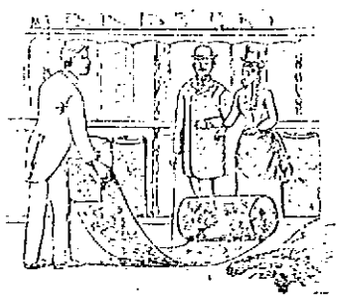
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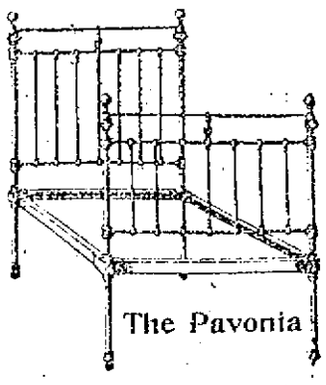
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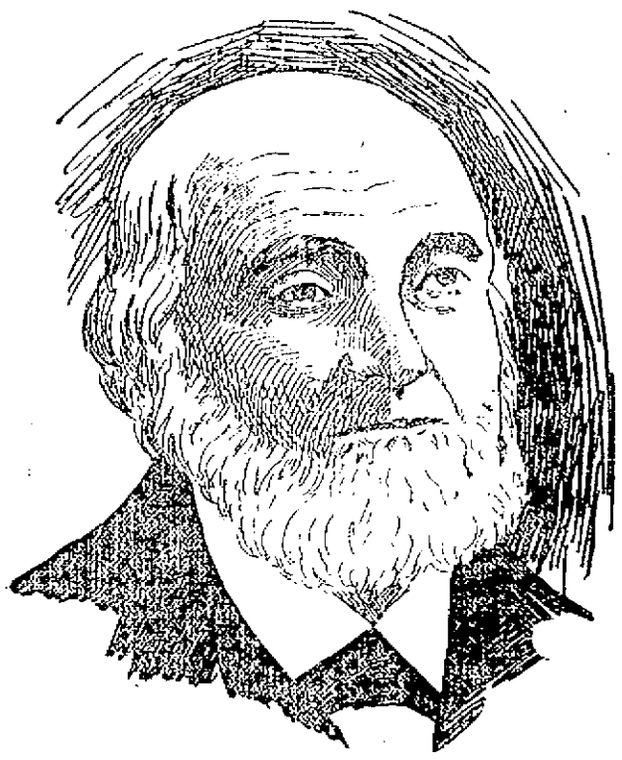

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OVER A THIRD WORKING

Daily Increase in the Number Working at New Bedford.

More Police Protection Wanted by the Mills—Pugilistic Battle at Bridgeport, Conn. — Session in Congressional House Very Dull.

New Bedford, Mass., April 15.—The striking operatives again gathered about the mill gates last night and greeted those who came from work with the usual shouts and jeers, but did nothing further. One man was arrested at the south end for disturbing the peace.

The treasurers had a conference with Mayor Ashley and Chief of Police Mason relative to better protection at the gates, but the mayor expressed the idea that no more could be done than is being done at present unless there is some outbreak. The mill men claim that 3470 operatives of the 9000 were at work in the nine corporations yesterday, which is double the number the strikers will concede.

MICHAEL CLARK

Died This Morning at His Late Home.

WAS A WELL KNOWN RESIDENT OF LOWELL.

Had Been Ailing for Some Time.

Michael Clark, a well known resident of this city, died early this morning at his home on Andover street, corner of Fort Hill avenue. Deceased has been ill for some time, but he was not confined to his home till recently. The news of his death caused sorrow among his numerous friends and acquaintances, who had the greatest esteem and respect for him. Mr. Clark was quite well known in public life, having served in the common council in this city and a few years ago he was one of the democratic nominees for alderman falling of election by a few votes. Since then he has taken no active part in politics.

He was 67 years old.

Deceased was taken ill last November and since then has been in declining health, although able to be out

MICHAEL CLARK.

nearly every day. His last service as a warden of the High street precinct of Ward 9 was at the city election.

Mr. Clark was born in Malone, N. Y., April 8, 1831. He came to Lowell in 1850 and learned the trade of carriage and sign painter. He went into business for himself but was taken ill and was unable to attend to his business. After two years he returned to his occupation and continued until ten years ago, when he became assistant superintendent of streets under Mr. Edward Crawley. After that he took charge of the street railway company's painting department. He was at his business as late as last Saturday, and although unable to work, supervised the painting.

May 10, 1881, he married Miss Margaretta Donovon, daughter of Major Matthew Donovan, who survives him, with five children, William Matthew, Ellen Louise, George, Paul, and Thomas. He leaves also two brothers, Hugh and Cornelius E., and his sisters are Sister Ann of the Sacred Heart, Waltham, Mrs. Ellen McCarron, Mrs. Anna J. Loughlin, Alice T., and Elizabeth C. Clark.

Mr. Clark was a member of the common council in 1883-4. He was formerly a member of the O-H-S-O., Y.M.C.I.A. and at the time of his death was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

The funeral will be held Monday from the church of the Immaculate Conception, the hour to be stated later. The family request that no flowers be sent.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH.

The annual parish meeting of All Saints' parish was held last evening. The meeting was opened with prayer by the rector, who presided. Reports of committees were received and a variety of business was transacted. The following officers were elected: Wardens, Alexander B. Paasche, S. Russell, Kitchen vestrymen, Alfred B. Paasche, Charles D. Clark, Charles Usher, Waldo Frank Putney, Johnson Kershaw, treasurer, Charles D. Clark; clerk, Alfred B. Paasche.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

At a meeting of the Branch street church last night the resignation of the pastor, Rev. O. E. Mallory, was accepted.

EXCEPTIONS FILED.

Yesterday, Jerome Manning filed exceptions in the case of Margaret and Lawrence Ford against Patrolmen Breen and Quinn.

HURDY-GURDY PARTY.

HELD AT THE ARMORY LAST EVENING BY MECHANICS PHALANX.

A delightful Hurdy-Gurdy party and Gatling gun drill were held at the Armory last evening by Company C, Mechanics' Phalanx at which 100 couples were present. The drill was given prior to the dance under the direction of Corporal Saundrs.

The officers of the affair were as follows General manager, Lieutenant Livingston; assistant, Private R. W. Hardy; secretary treasurer, Sergeant George L. Fowler, Jr.; floor director, Sergeant E. R. Delmage; assistant, Private R. B. Joslin; aids, Corporal O. S. Hahn, Corporal W. P. Berry, Private R. W. Clogston, Private H. C. Bellamy, Private W. E. Goodwin and Private M. E. Hardy.

Y.P.S.C.E. SOCIETY

At the semi-annual business meeting of the First Congregation Y.P.S.C.E. last evening in their vestry, the following officers were elected: President, Charles Osgood; vice president, Floy Cutler; recording secretary, Miss Hattie Drewett; corresponding secretary, Miss Nellie Wood; treasurer, Mr. R. Fulton.

THAT INFLUENCE

Which is Worked in Superior Court.

REMARKED UPON BY JUDGE HADLEY TODAY

And Other Cases in Police Court Today.

Fred L. Dam was in court again for drunkenness this morning and it was his third time. His record was read and the court learned for the first time that Dam, notwithstanding the fact that he has been in time and again, had rarely if at all, served a sentence imposed on him. For Dam's plan has been to appeal when sentenced and have matters fixed so that he would get off on probation when taken into the Superior Court, presumably by misrepresentation.

This morning Judge Hadley sentenced Dam to Bridgewater for 10 months and Fred immediately appealed where upon the court remarked: "And Dam, let me tell you that when your case come before the Superior Court, I shall have your entire record presented, from the time you were 14 years of age, if I have to take it there myself. Your friends and this court have done everything for you in the past, and it is time you were punished. I can't understand this mysterious influence brought to bear in the Superior Court by which you always succeed in avoiding sentence imposed on you. I want the court to be properly informed this time."

The Court's little speech took all the spunk out of Dam, whop robably rather than disclose the "mysterious influence" withdrew his appeal and took his sentence.

William Cogan, for assisting in the larceny of a sheep some time ago, was fined $15.

George Orr, an old offender, was in for stealing 25 cents worth of lead and he got three months in the workhouse.

Five drunks.

FUNERALS.

MILLIKEN—The funeral of Frank J. Milliken took place Wednesday at his late residence, 770 Shawmut avenue, Boston. Rev. Geo. E. Perrin of the Shawmut avenue church officiated. At the interment in the Lowell cemetery were present Thos. O. Allen, Jeremiah Crowley, Frank Calvert, D. Moody Prescott, Albert Pindar all comrades of the Old Sixth.

INGALLS—The funeral services of Wm. M. Ingalls were held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his late home in Coburn Place. Rev. G. M. Hall officiated. Interment was in the Edson cemetery. The bearers were Messrs. David True, Warren Johnson, B. S. Atkinson, and H. O. Brooks.

MARTEL—The funeral of Pierre Martel took place from St. Joseph's church Wednesday. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Fr. Nolin, O.M.I., and he was assisted by Rev. Fr. Cure and Rev. Fr. Sirois. The bearers were George Nichol, Donat Bluon, Frank Rousseau, Alfred Gaudette, and Albert Blazon. L'Association Catholique was represented at the funeral by T. J. Goyette, Napoleon Lozeau, A. J. B. Eno, W. Brantigan, J. H. Clement, Theo. Roch, Moise Cossette and A. Cornelier. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Fine job printing done at this office.

ELKS' CLUB.

The Elks' club met last night and elected the following officers: President, George W. Patten; vice president, Percy Gulline; secretary, T. E. Boucher; treasurer, S. H. Harvey; director, J. J. Reagan, chairman, E. P. Stiles, James F. Gordon, and Dr. A. E. McCann.

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HUNTINGTON HALL

Plans of A. M. Burtt Accepted by Committee.

MAYOR AND SUPT. TRUE FAVOR STICKNEY'S PLAN.

Question for City Council to Decide.

There is a question for the city council to settle in the selection of plans for rebuilding Huntington hall. Mayor Bennett and Supt. True have approved plans presented by Stickney & Austin, and the committee on lands and buildings at yesterday's meeting made choice of plans prepared by A. M. Burtt. The council will now have to make a selection.

Mr. Burtt estimates the cost of rebuilding the walls, exclusive of seats, at between $16,000 and $20,000. His plan was accompanied by the following description:

"It is proposed to leave the stage in its present position, but to shorten its projection into the hall, at the same time widening the opening, the object of this being to give more width for less depth in order to accommodate large concerts, etc.; while for lectures the great depth of the present stage is useless.

"It is proposed to have a curtain which can be drawn up out of the way when not wanted. This curtain will not be the full width of the permanent opening. The opening, when the stage is to be used for theatricals, can be narrowed by side wings, so arranged as to seem a part of the opening. This arrangement will give room for flies at the sides.

"There will be no boxes, but dressing rooms on the floor and at gallery level, with toilet rooms at each side on first floor. The gallery is kept the same width in the rear, but is made double the present width at the side.

"A new entrance, about 10 feet wide, is made where the barber shop now is. This is necessary on account of the increased seating capacity of the hall. The other entrances are to be kept in their present positions.

"In the arrangement of the several rooms at the entrance of the hall, additional room is given to the committee room and the ladies' reception room. The Jackson hall stairs will remain in their present position, although more room is provided in the approach to the stairs."

The committee on public baths had an informal discussion last night. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss locations. The committee, as yet, have come to no decision in this matter, but Councilman Garvey says he favors the use of the old Mann school building.

The committee on sewers, the Mayor the city solicitor, and the city engineer, had a long conference with representatives of the manufacturing interests about Meadowcroft street yesterday afternoon, relative to the proposed sewer through the street. There are certain water rights in the way of wells involved. The matter was discussed at length.

The water board held a regular meeting last night, but the only business that was attended to was of a routine character aside from hearing three or four petitioners for abatements.

Councilman Garvey, who was instrumental in having the committee on public baths appointed, inasmuch as he introduced the order to provide public baths, said yesterday "I fear that nothing will be done in the matter because of the financial condition of the city. I would like very much to have some steps taken in the matter, for I believe there is great need of public baths in this city. Even if they would put up a bath house like the one at Willow Dale, that would be something worth having."

It is more than likely that the committee on investigation of the Health department will meet this evening to consider the text of the report that will be presented to the city council.

The ladies of the State Federation of Womens' clubs must have been well pleased with their visit to City Hall for one of them wrote the following on a pad of paper in the aldermen's chamber:

"A visitor from the State Federation of Women's club leaves many tributes of admiration for this beautiful building and the different departments, and the artistic arrangements of the rooms."

GEORGE D. HILLS DEAD.

George D. Hills, one of Lowell's most esteemed citizens, father of William D. Hills of the Traders' National bank, died this morning at his home, 222 Worthen street, aged 69 years, 8 months. Funeral services will be held at the Branch Street Tabernacle, Monday at 10 a. m. Friends are invited without further notice. The interment will be at Leominster, Mass.

THE ONION CLUB.

The Onion club launched its new boat "The Scullion," at Massapoag Lake yesterday Commodore Ed. Dunn in charge. Cap. Collins performed the ceremony of breaking a bottle of mustard over her prow as she glided into the water as gracefully as an ice wagon. The club will have its first outing on Patriots' Day, weather permitting.

SONS OF VETERANS.

An adjourned meeting of the sons of veterans who are interested in Constable Flynn's National Reserve movement, will be held in Memorial hall, this evening.

MISS MEANS.

FOR PRINCIPAL OF ABBOTT ACADEMY AT ANDOVER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Andover, Mass., April 15.—Miss Emily A. Means, of Summit, N. J., formerly of Andover, has been elected to the principalship of Abbott Academy. Miss Means is a graduate of the institution and for many years was connected with its faculty as teacher of art.

Maltox will cure you in spite of yourself.

DEATH OF MR. HORN

One Of Lowell's Oldest Citizens.

WHO PASSED AWAY EARLY THIS MORNING.

A Sketch of His Business Career.

Samuel Horn, one of Lowell's oldest and best known citizens, died this morning at 1.30 o'clock at his home 98 Smith street, at the age of 91 years, 3 months and 16 days.

For some time past the old gentleman had been suffering from the infirmities of old age and recently contracted pneumonia, which soon made recovery impossible and early last evening his life was despaired of. The end came peacefully.

Mr. Samuel Horn was one of eight children born in Southboro, Mass., in 1806. He was descended from an old English family which early settled in that place. His father, Windsor Horn, was born in the same place, Aug. 20, 1782, and died at Westford, June, 13, 1852. His mother, Matilda Nichols, was born in Framingham, Dec. 11, 1781, and died at Westford, Jan. 25, 1837.

Mr. Horn's early life was passed on the farm in Southboro, attending the village school when opportunity offered between seasons. It was in this rugged honest country life that he learned the lessons of industry, perseverance, economy and fidelity in the performance of duty which laid the foundation of an honorable and prosperous business career. On coming to Lowell in December, 1828, he engaged in business as a shipper of soap tallow and candles and a dealer in hides in which he continued until 1886, when he retired with a competency.

His establishment was located on School street below Middlesex and is now the property of the Lowell Rendering company. The history of his business career in this city is an illustration and development of those elements of character, by which he commanded success. From small beginnings, he continued on industrious and persevering in the face of hardships and trials until by force of character and courageous self denial, he achieved a victory and established a very extensive business.

In politics Mr. Horn was a republican, serving as a member of the city government in 1839. In 1835 he was an attendant of the Orthodox church, but since then he has attended the Unitarian church. He was one of the founders of the Wamesit National bank in 1853 and of the Merrimack River Savings bank in 1871 and had been a director of the one and a trustee of the other ever since. He was an assistant engineer of the Lowell Fire department for many years. In 1835 he was united in marriage to Miss Hannah T. Harper of Sanbornton, N. H. He leaves three children, Emma J. Horn, Alfred S. Horn and Isabel P., wife of Francis A. Nichols, all of this city.

Last year he observed his 90th birthday, and at that time he appeared to be twenty years younger.

THE STATE POLICE

Were Called to New Bedford This Morning.

AUTHORITIES FEAR TROUBLE WITH STRIKERS.

Strike Leaders Say Mills are Losing.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New Bedford, April 15—Great trouble is feared here from the desperate friends of the strikers, for a riot seems imminent.

The crowds which gather at the mill gates and hiss and jeer the help who have returned to work as they pass in and out of the factories have grown demonstrative and unruly. There is nothing yet, like mob violence, but the temper of the strikers clearly grows more vindictive.

The police force of the city is not considered adequate to the situation and the aid of the state officers has been invoked. Forty-three men under the personal direction of Chief Wade, are to go on duty here today. All this week the local force of officers, special and regular have served extra hours, and are pretty well tired out.

The mill men still contend that a sufficient number of hands can be secured to operate the machinery, under a gaurantee of freedom from discomfort and attack from the strikers. The leaders of the strike as firmly declare that the attempt to run must inevitably result in failure and that the mills are making losses in the number of hands at work rather than accessions.

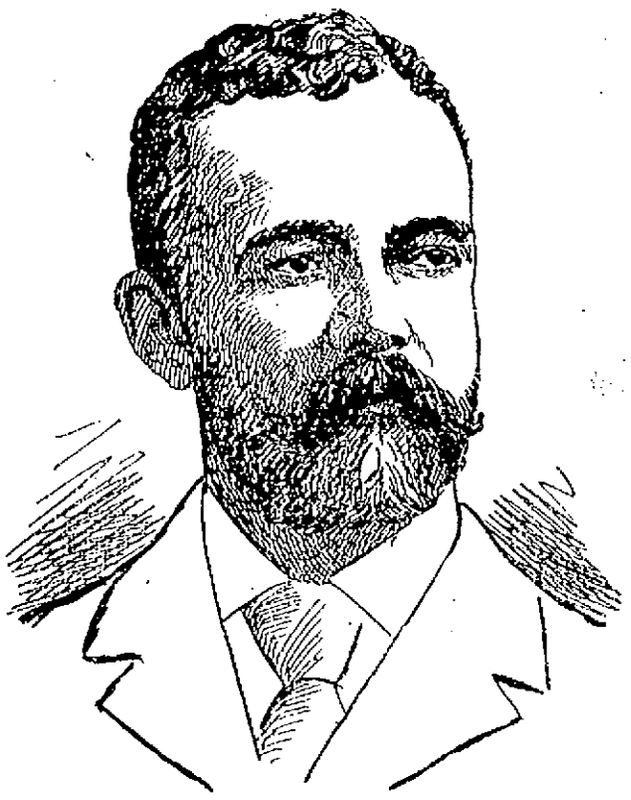
WOLCOTT'S ORDERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boston, April 15.—Governor Wolcott in response to a request from Mayor Ashley of New Bedford gave orders to Chief Wade of the district police this morning to assemble his officers and go to New Bedford for duty there. After receiving the instructions from the government, Chief Wade sent 12 officers to New Bedford on the 11.30 train Twenty-eight others will follow this afternoon, to be in readiness for service when the mills close tonight.

ATHLETIC CLUB DANCE.

The Pawtucketville Athletic club held its first grand social in Prescott hall About 200 couples attended. The cake walk was a feature and five couples were entered. Each received great applause, but the cake was awarded to Mr. Dominick Monahan and Miss Evelyn Dupont, a young couple of Montauk fame. The dance then followed and continued until midnight. The officers were: General manager, Omer Allard; assistant, Leon Sullivan; floor director, James J. Slavin; assistant, John J. Carroll.



U. S. SENATOR HENRY CABOT LODGE.

FROM LODGE'S SPEECH.

DELIVERED IN THE SENATE ON THE WAR ISSUES.

"I believe when we are face to face with a foreign power that there is one duty which overrides all others, higher than politics and higher than everything else and that is that the congress and the people and the executive of the United States should stand absolutely together."

"Spain is on her death bed, buried in debt, bleeding at every vein from the revolutions in her colonies, and her officers and officials rob her, dying as she is in the eyes of the world."

"If war must be, no nation ever went to war on higher grounds or from nobler or from more disinterested motives. War is here, if it is here, by the acts of Spain."

"We are told that we must not go to war on the narrow ground of revenge. No, not revenge, but we must have reparation for the Maine. We cannot as a nation belittle the case or refuse to demand a great and shining reparation for our dead sailors.

"If we allow that to drop aside, to pass away into an endless tangle of negotiation and law and discussion, we are lost to all sense of brotherhood; we are lost to all love of kith and kin; our uniform will no longer be an honor and protection; it will be a disgrace and danger to wear.

"Your men on your ships are sullen today, because they think that the government is not behind them. There are mutterings among the men who wear your uniform because they think you have not striven to redress the awful slaughter of their comrades. You must maintain the honor of the uniform and the flag under which the men died.

"Surely there never was a more righteous cause than this for any nation to ask for justice. That gigantic murder, the last spasm of a corrupt and dying sovereignty which carried down our ship and our men, cries aloud for justice."

"SCRAP OF PAPER."

DELIGHTFUL COMEDY BY HUMANE SOCIETY TALENT.

The home comedy given by the Lowell Humane society at the home of Mr. Joseph A. Nesmith and the Misses Nesmith, corner of Andover and Nesmith streets, last evening, was a success in every sense of the word. The audience was so delighted with it that they requested a repetition of it tonight.

"A Scrap of Paper," the familiar comedy, was given with the following cast of characters:

Prosper Couramont .....Mr. Pearson
Baron de la Glaciere .....Mr. Coburn
Brisemouche .....Mr. Hobbs
Anatole .....Mr. McIlrayne
Madame Dupont..... Miss Livingston
Francois .....Mr. Young
Baptiste ..... Mr. Spulding
Louise de la Glaciere .....Miss Ames
M'lle Suzanne de Russeville, Miss Robinson
Mathilda .....Miss Hildreth Nesmith
Pauline .....Miss Shedd

The performers have been under the competent coaching of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Palmer for a few weeks past and the proficiency with which the different parts were taken reflects credit upon all concerned.

Mrs. George Richardson and Miss M. Nesmith has charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. A. L. Pindar and Miss F. Francis had charge of the refreshments.

Miss Andrews presided at the piano and captivated the audience with the proficiency of her accomplishment.

John Graham and Arthur Hassell, who have been spending their Easter vacation in this city, will return to Holy Cross College next Monday, to resume their studies.

John J. Murphy, son of ex-Representative Daniel J. Murphy of Broadway, has returned to St. Anselms' College, Manchester, N. H.

The people of St. Michael's parish will conduct a Patriats' Party in Prescott hall next Tuesday evening. A diamond ring will be presented to the fortunate ticket holder.

Gas pipes laid in Middlesex street, near the railroad station, have been found to be eaten into by electrolysis.

LINCOLN CLUB.

The Lincoln republican club held a whist party in Wyman's Exchange last night, and prizes were won by Messrs. Gemmel and Raymond. The winners of the booby prizes were Messrs. Ferris and Boyle.

CITY OF LOWELL.

No. 75 A. April 15, 1898.

Notice is hereby given under Section 6, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, that James F. Smith, William J. Dunn, Smith & Dunn, have applied for a license to sell intoxicating liquors of the first class na common victualler, at No. 350-352 Market street, in two rooms on first floor and cellar.

By order of the Board of Police.
JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

CITY OF LOWELL.

No. 72 B. April 15, 1898.

Notice is hereby given under Section 6, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, that James F. Smith, William J. Dunn, Smith & Dunn, have applied for a license to sell intoxicating liquors of the fourth class as retail dealer, at No. 350-352 Market street, in two rooms on first floor and cellar.

By order of the Board of Police.
JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
MIDDLESEX, ss.
PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of James McGlinchy, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate by Mary Jane McGlinchy, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix, therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said county of Middlesex, on the twenty-sixth day of April, A. D. 1898, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

S. H. FOLSOM, Register.

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Also the grandest line of Dress Trimmings in gimps, braids, ribbons, velvets and everything at about half what others ask.

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See The Point?

The cutting of the Havana cable seems to be another Spanish act of hostility towards this country.

It is now admitted that the causes for delay in the President's message were not correctly stated to the country.

Spain is fortifying her islands in the Mediterranean. She must think the Flying Squadron is likely to pay them a visit.

Lawrence is now to suffer from curtailment of production, as well as from reduction of wages in the shutdown of the Pacific mills.

No democrat so far has objected to J. F. Owens, Esq., as registrar of voters and no republican can say that he is not well qualified for the place. Both by training and experience

It is rather remarkable that the pension roll has vastly increased since 1890. It would appear that the number of veterans who fought in the late war was far greater than the government had any conception of.

That was a good suggestion made by Mayor Bennett that the Grand Army commanders organize a movement to erect a monument to General Butler. The late general deserves a monument from the city and the state which he honored by his busy and useful life.

Principal Assessor Pratt gave a very sensible view of the assessors' duties and of the duties of the city authorities regarding that department. He is right in saying that because another city pays less is no reason why Lowell should pay less. To the fact that the mill owners are not residents is due a large part of the trouble with our mill corporations on the tax question.

General Lee is admired by every true American for his courage and patriotism as displayed in the discharge of his duties at Havana. He is now ready to lead a military body against Havana and certainly from his bravery no man is better qualified for the task. He protected Americans, he arranged for the relief of the reconcentrados and in the most trying circumstances, he proved himself a brave man.

The politicians and the lobbyists may laugh at Representative Bennett's tearful "flop" in the House on Wednesday, but when he termed the scheme which he opposed a piece of thievery he put it about right. Bennett, with all his shortcomings must be given the credit of honesty in his convictions of right and of being the foe of jobs and jobbery. He roasted our alphabetic Mr. Hayes when he said that the latter always voted as a certain lobbyist desired. Bennett's honesty is recognized on all sides, but he might have managed to control his feelings somewhat better than by giving way to tears. Whenever an honest man stands out against roguery, he will, as a rule, be stigmatized as a knave by the very men whose crookedness he opposes.

WATER-RATES TOO HIGH.

The water board got out of its investigation very easily. The committee did not dig very deeply into the affairs of the board. Colonel Dinon is well acquainted with the workings of the department and could lay his finger upon anything wrong if he undertook to go back sufficiently for it. Of course his report upon the present condition of the Board is accepted as correct and the recommendation that the department should be somewhat more under the control of the city council is a good one.

That touches the very foundation of the extravagance and mismanagement of the water department. That is how such large sums were foolishly spent upon schemes which proved impracticable and useless, and it explains why at the present time the water rates assessed on house owners where meters are not put in are too high.

It would appear that the rates were placed high purposely in order to coerce as many as possible to put in meters. It is wrong. It is an abuse of the public at large that should not be tolerated. The rates are too high. They should be reduced at once to what is just and reasonable. It is to be regretted that the investigating committee did not look into this matter, which concerns everybody in the city.

WHY WAR WITH SPAIN?

It is alleged that the newspapers or some of them are too loudly shouting for war. There may be papers as there undoubtedly are, that go too far in this direction, but The Sun is not in this category. As we favor war only when it cannot honorably be avoided. We may add also, that we do not favor the proposed armed intervention in Cuba which will involve the supplanting of Spanish sway in the island and the establishment of a popular government for the Cubans. It will prove a serious and an expensive task.

It is undertaken on humanitarian grounds, but if this country would relieve all the suffering within its own boundaries, it would find but little time to go outside on missions of mercy. We do not object to the motive, but to making that motive the cause for war. The destruction of the Maine is sufficient cause for War and in making that the cause of war with Spain, a vast amount of danger would be avoided while the aim of intervention would be indirectly attained.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Globe—"Spain stands convicted the following: "Spain stands convicted today of an awful deed, not on the testimony of eye witnesses, to be sure, but men are hanged, even in Massachusetts on presumptive evidence far less complete than that which fixes upon her the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine and the massacre of its crew. That she alone among the nations of christendom has the desperation required for the perpetration of such a crime her long record of unrepented treachery and cruelty attests; that her officials at Havana viewed her fomits, with angry resentment their protest declare, and that the opportunity to plant and explode a submarine mine in that harbor was exclusively hers is a fact established before the world."

According to The Advertiser, "The Spanish tendency has been seen plainly enough in the policy of Spain in Cuba. After the 10-years' war in that unhappy island, the Spanish government promised to bring about certain reforms. The promise was not kept. Years passed by and the delay was so long-continued that the promise was practically forgotten. Things grew worse and worse, until finally it became plain to a great party of the Cubans that the only way to secure any reform whatever was to win it at the point of the sword. If Spain had made a determined and resolute effort, the rebellion could have been crushed out at its beginning; but the policy of the Spanish war office was marked by the same devotion to the national motto 'tomorrow.'"

The Post has it that "when congress has spoken there will be presented to Spain the last chance that that government will have to extricate itself from the Cuban tangle. It will have a chance to let Cuba go in peace and to receive a very tidy sum of purchase money in compensation; or it can fight to keep Cuba, and pay roundly in the shape of a war indemnity after that is, and has been taken away and made free."

In scoring those Americans who have no faith in a republican form of government, The Journal says: "They put the interest of the few above the instinct and the set purpose of the multitude. When their pockets are touched or their opinions are slighted, every theory of government which they avow tends straight to absolute monarchy. They condemn and deride the popular will when expressed by the only means which the constitution provides. They denounce the congress of the United States as unworthy of respect and unfit to carry out the affairs of the country. They long for an autocratic power. Isolated from the great body of the people and open only to the influence of the select. These are the things which mark the changes from republicanism to absolutism."

COMMUNICATION.

BLUNDER OR MYSTIFICATION OF FRENCH VOTERS.

Mr. Editor—It was with a great deal of surprise that I read a statement that appeared in the Citizen and L'Etoile yesterday, saying that the name of Dr. L. V. Rochette had been presented for city physician. When you will learn that Dr. Rochette is not a citizen of the United States and that he does not speak the English language you will agree with me that for a man who pretends to be endowed with so much business qualities as Mayor Bennett, for him to present such a candidate for the position of city physician is either a blunder or a mystification of the French citizens.

Furthermore, I question the sincerity of Mayor Bennett when he first presented the name of another French physician. I think that anyone familiar with the working of political custom will agree with me that before the name of Dr. Mignault or any other was presented, the Mayor ought, if he had really wanted to appoint a French-American citizen to that position, to have made sure of his confirmation. To me it looks like an old trick and when next election comes he will lay the blame on the democrats and claim the support of the French vote, on having done his duty in presenting a candidate of their element, but this is too thin. It will not take and it will be another lesson to the French people who will not in the future swallow all the promises of the political grabber.

If Mayor Bennett is in earnest let him make sure of the election of a candidate and choose a man having the necessary requisites and before all, a citizen of the United States, and then it will not look like blunder or mystification.

Ward Seven.

ECONOMY in taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, because "100 doses one dollar" is peculiar to and true only of the One True BLOOD Purifier.

THE ARENA OF POLITICS

THE BEAUTY OF A BOND.

How Long Are the Laboring Men Going to Stand This Sort of Business?

It would seem that the St. James Gazette has let a bird fly. It is not often that an organ of the goldite empire is caught off guard. When such a phenomenal thing occurs, one is led to believe that the organ on the night before has had too much wine. That the St. James Gazette could so forget itself makes us astonished.

The occasion of the extraordinary break referred to is the recent assignment to Great Britain of the exclusive privilege of taking the Chinese loan without competition. The British government has been unusually anxious to get this loan "in the interests of trade." The St. James Gazette, doubtless in the state of mind indicated above, divulges the scheme as follows:

Let us suppose, in the first instance, that the rate agreed upon be 5 per cent. This would not be exorbitant when the ordinary rates of interest in China are taken into consideration. Our procedure would be simple. The Bank of England would invite tenders for £16,000,000 consols at 2½ per cent, redeemable in 25 years from the date of issue. The length of the term offered would insure a premium of at least 5 per cent. Taking the price then at £105, we should obtain the sum of £15,250,000. The deficiency of £750,000 is insignificant and could be made good by any one of half a dozen obvious expedients. Under this arrangement we should be borrowing £11,500,000 at 2½ per cent and lending £16,000,000 at 5 per cent. The difference between the interest we should disburse (£287,500) and the interest we should receive (£800,000) would be £512,500. If this sum were invested every year for 25 years at compound interest, it would produce at the end of that term £14,000,000. But the chief matter remains to be stated. When we had got all our money back, China would still remain indebted to us to the full amount of the original advance, £16,000,000. This outstanding liability could, at the choice of the Peking government, either be liquidated in cash or renewed in exchange for such fixed or other concessions as might seem equitable to both parties.

Let us explain the beauty of this business. The poor laborers of China will be obliged for 25 years to pay to Great Britain, in interest only, $4,000,000 annually without reducing the debt by a single farthing. That is beautiful to begin with. The $4,000,000 will be taken by the English bondholders and loaned to the British laboring men, who will pay another $4,000,000 a year for the privilege of having money enough to buy their groceries. At the end of the 25 year period China will still owe the British bondholders the $80,000,000 just the same. That is the essential beauty of it. Eight millions a year laid upon the laboring men of China and Great Britain for 25 years. Two hundred millions of interest in all, and then $80,000,000 of principal just as good as at the start. I have not seen a better example than this of the splendid workings of the international bond system. The only question is how long the laboring men of the world are going to stand this sort of business. But then the St. James Gazette ought never to have given the thing away!—Arena For April.

Why "Control" Fails.

The immense overcapitalization of railroads and the charging of rates to make interest and dividends on these fictitious values are an imposition and injustice of which there has long been reason to complain, but never until the recent decision of the Nebraska maximum freight rate case has this fictitious capitalization been fully legalized and given unlimited scope as a method of robbery.

The Nebraska law would have made a small reduction in freight rates and the change would have affected the income of the roads to only a slight extent, yet the supreme court says that a law which interferes with the payment of interest and dividends is unconstitutional.

The fact that the payments of interest and dividends were on greatly inflated issues was not permitted to figure in the case.

The decision completely ignores the whole question of overcapitalization and opens the way whereby any attempt to regulate railroad rates must prove a failure.

Under that interpretation nothing could be more absurd than to attempt the exercise of any control by legislative action.—Chicago Express.

Harlan's "Persons" Fail to Materialize.

Governor Leedy of Kansas is a true American, and his patriotic zeal is shown in a call issued for Kansans to enlist under his banner for a war with Spain. The governor says:

"I have received scores of volunteer applications from farmers and merchants and mechanics all over the state, but so far I have not received a notice from one corporation that it is ready to give its services to the country.

"Justice Harlan stated recently that corporations were persons, just like you and me and the rest of the people in these United States, and had the same rights as natural born citizens. If this is so, why don't they come forward, like the natural born citizens, and offer their services for the defense of their country. It is my ambition to command a company of this kind in the event of war with Spain, and I shall feel hurt if these 'persons' fail to respond and leave me unable to accomplish my ambition."

We Don't Need Help.

The United States needs no help from England. New York, Boston, Washington and some of the other English warts on the face of American civilization may need English help, but Americans who have made America and in whose breasts the fires of patriotism burn, are strong enough and resourceful enough to whip any invading foe that dares to question the right of Americans to run the western hemisphere. We don't need any British gold or British gunpowder to do it, either. The spirit that fought the battles of 1776 stalks abroad in the land, and it is a sentiment that does not doff its hat to a gang of money mongers down in New York who, for a chance to save their Cuban investments, would see the navy of the nation in the bottom of the ocean.—Denver Road.

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TO TEST PUBLIC SENTIMENT

The Spanish Cabinet Will Await the Decision of Its Parliament.

Members Notified of a Change in Time of Assembling—Efforts to Secure Intervention of European Powers — The Resolution for War Before Congress Today—Gen. Miles Says President Can Raise All the Troops Needed.

Madrid, April 15.—At the cabinet council Thursday afternoon under the presidency of the queen regent it was decided to hasten the reopening of the Spanish parliament. The date for the assembling of the cortes was April 25, but parliament will now be summoned to meet on Wednesday next, April 20. The queen regent signed the decree calling for a national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish fleet.

Premier Sagasta made a statement on the subject of the recent developments of the Cuban situation as affected by events in Washington. He declared the situation was very serious and, while pointing out that "the debates in congress have no legal value," he deemed it advisable to expedite the reopening of the cortes "in order to allow national opinion and its representatives to declare the will of the people, and to enable the government to act in accord with the nation."

After the council the ministers reassembled at the ministry for foreign affairs and there discussed the question of sending a note to the great powers communicating the decisions arrived at and explaining the situation from the Spanish standpoint.

SENOR SAGASTA.

It is said that Spain's appeal will recite her grievances against the United States, stating in detail the many concessions she has made and pointing out that it was in response to the urgent representation of the powers that the last concession of an armistice was granted. If the powers determine to act, their influence will probably be particularly directed toward inducing the United States to grant Spain sufficient time within which to try the armistice recently proclaimed. During the recent action of the powers, their main influence was exerted here, the only action at Washington being the courteous expression of hope for peace; but the present movement contemplates that the influence shall be exerted in Washington, as it is the common belief in Madrid that the authorities have reached the limit of concessions and should now be given adequate time to try what they and the powers have offered as a means of restoring peace in Cuba.

The watchword in official circles is to remain on the defensive, firmly awaiting the development of President McKinley's action and the advance of American diplomacy. All sensible and far-sighted statesmen in Spain understand perfectly that the declarations of their own government and of President McKinley do not by any means make impossible a peaceful and conciliatory solution if circumstances permit. Besides they fancy that the European powers, particularly Austria, France and Russia, may yet have something to say and do amicably to check President McKinley when once he has entire control of the negotiations and the developments of the American policy in his own hands. In this strain of consideration the Spanish court and members of the cabinet do not despair or share the pessimistic impressions prevalent in the press and in political circles.

A cabinet minister who was interviewed said: "The true climax is approaching, but Spain is calm. She has done everything to avert war, and is now confident in her right and in the justice of her cause. She is ready to defend her soil and honor. When the American government communicates its decisions, Spain will stand ready to meet all eventualities."

The groups forming the majority in parliament will meet next Tuesday. Sagasta, the premier, will confer with the leaders of the minority, explain to them the reasons for hastening the assembling of the cortes and arrange with them to constitute the new chamber as rapidly as possible in the hope of being able to begin public business by the 23rd.

MURKINESS OF THE SKY.

Madrid, April 15.—The feeling in Madrid is stronger than ever. All parties are uniting against the government, and there are sinister references to the "Austrian," which mean that the queen regent, who has never been popular in Madrid, is rapidly falling into increased disfavor. The feeling against her majesty is exasperated by the quotations from the English and French papers of the suggestions of Emperor Francis Joseph respecting Cuba.

In addition to those arrested for the demonstrations, warrants are out for a number of prominent Carlists and notorious revolutionists. It is evident that all the animosity of the crowd is directed against the government, and not against the United States.

A letter just received from the Philippine islands says that all the troops which were embarking for Spain at the time the communication was mailed were marched hurriedly to various towns in the interior, where the rebellion against Spanish rule has been renewed. It is added that over 20,000 well armed men are now in the field. There have been several engagements, and several Spanish priests have been massacred. Nobody appears to know how the Philippine insurgents, who had been disarmed, according to general report, were rearmed; but the belief prevails that Japan had a hand in the matter. The captain general of the Philippine islands, it is further alleged, has been concealing the facts in the case from the government.

WEYLER THEIR HOPE.

Madrid, April 15.—The feature of the opposition press is the endeavor to bring General Weyler to the front and make him the champion of the cause of revolution, under the guise of a saviour of the national honor. The general undoubtedly has numerous followers, and even the newspapers which, ever since his return from Cuba, have violently denounced him, are now lauding the former captain general of Cuba as the one man who can save the situation.

The País, under large headlines, reading "Great Treason—Spain is Sold," says: "It is in the atmosphere one breathes. It is on all lips. It is sticking in our throats and palpitating in our hearts. When ready to fight, we have been vilely sold. Yesterday we were men; today we are women; but the country will avenge the treason." Then The País turns to General Weyler, after having been unfriendly to him for a long time, and exclaims: "General Weyler is not alone in appreciating the present dishonor. He is backed by numerous Republicans, patriotic Carlists, the Robledo conservatives, which party is composed of many senators and deputies and the representatives of the provinces; all the loyal Spaniards in Cuba, with the volunteers, the leaders of the army, who blush under the stigma of the armistice, and he will have the support of the masses, who are only waiting for a guide and leader. General Weyler is not alone. No general and no political personage has more followers today than he has. May General Weyler not disappoint the hopes of so many patriots."

The military press is divided in opinion on the subject. The Courier thanks the ministry "with a contemptuous kick," adding: "Our pen falls from our hand as we contemplate the cowardice on one side and the villiany on the other. It is impossible to write of it seriously. We must be governed by the hermaphrodites of Athens, and must hide the tear which runs down the cheek while the lips curl in supreme sarcasm. We laugh while our teeth clinch, the bile turns in our stomach, anger heats our blood, and our hands instinctively seek an avenging weapon."

REGENT WOULD ABDICATE.

Madrid, April 15.—The Madrid correspondent of The Morning Post, telegraphing by way of Biarritz, says: "The queen regent has informed the members of her court that it is her intention to abdicate immediately if the cabinet takes any steps derogatory to Spain's honor and dignity."

ONLY TALK.

Washington, April 15.—Thursday began in the senate with the usual assembling of enormous crowds and with a large attendance on the floor. The routine business was transacted with evident impatience, and Senator Davis sought the first opportunity to move that the senate proceeded to the consideration of the intervention resolution. The motion having been adopted, Senator Hoar sought recognition, but Senator Turner of Washington, a young, black-mustached statesman from the west, whose income from his gold mines reaches a million a year, secured the floor.

Mr. Turner spoke without notes, and with great deliberation. He made a bitter attack upon the president for pursuing "a weak and puerile course, full of evasion and equivocation and having for its object the blinding of the American people and the muzzling of the American congress." He charged that the Maine report was held back at the suggestion of the president, in order that the delay might be utilized in further dickering and dealing with Spain. Congress has been cajoled with iridescent and evanescent promises that have not yet been made good. European capitalists have chuckled at our delay and indefinite policy, and the pope declares to the queen regent that "the president has been placed in a position where it is difficult for him to decide what course to pursue."

Senator Hoar could not join in the criticism of the president, who, he emphasized, represented the American people. "I approve what he has done and said," continued Mr. Hoar, "and what he has not said and done. I like his holding back for a peaceful solution so long as there was a thought that peace could be had with honor. Do you think, when you criticise this brave American soldier's love of peace, what war is and who suffer by it? The persons who

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EVERYTHING POINTS TO WAR

General Weyler Says That Conflict is Inevitable.

He was Called to Madrid by Government—Spanish Newspapers Say War is Certain—Spanish Fleet to be Strengthened—Washington Despatches Create Intense Excitement—Senator Cullom Predicts War Within One Week.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 14.—Noon.—General Weyler arrived here today, apparently called by the government. He considrs war with the United States inevitable.

The newspapers here regard war as inevitable. The last despatches from Washington have created profound excitement throughout Spain, and the Spaniards protest against the "odious imputation" setting forth that Spanish officers were responsible for the loss of the Maine. It is asserted here that proof can be furnished to show that no torpedoes have ever been laid in Havana harbor. The Official Gazette tomorrow will publish a decree organizing a national subscription to strengthen the Spanish fleet.

SPANISH FLOTILLA.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands, April 14—The Spanish armored cruisers Cristobal Colon and Maria Teresa have arrived here. The Spanish flotilla is still in these waters.

SEATOR CULLOM'S VIEWS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Glesburg, Ill., April 14—A letter from Senator Cullom has been received here. Regarding the war situation the senator says: "We are on the verge of war and will be in the midst of it in probably another week. It is a serious thing to contemplate, as it will be a war on the sea instead of on the land, largely and we do not know much about sea warfare of late years."

GOEVRNMENT BUYING STEAMERS

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 14.—The navy department today purchased the Red Line steamer, Venezuela. The terms were not made public. Negotiations for the Paris and New York, the American steamship company's big transAtlantic liners, it is stated, are still in progress, the question being one of terms merely.

CROWDS FLOCK TO SENATE

That Body the Centre of War Elements.

Davis' Resolution Laid Before the Senate—Senator Turner Sharply Criticised the Administration—Spanish Minister Preparing to Leave Washington.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 14.—The action of the House of Representatives yesterady in adopting its declaration upon the Spanish-American situation, made the Senate today the storm centre of the war elements.

The chaplain in his invocation, made a beautiful and touching reference to the 88th natal day of the "Patriarch of both branches of Congress" (Mr. Morrill of Vermont). Mr. Hale (Me.) presented a memorial from the national civil club of Brooklyn calling attention to the necessity in the event of war with Spain, of repealing some of the present navigation laws.

The message was received from the House transmitting to the Senate the Cuban resolution passed by the House. By unanimous consent at the request of Mr. Davis, chairman of the foreign relation committee, the resolution yesterday reported by the foreign relations committee was laid before the Senate.

Mr. Turner (Wash.) began a speech in which he sharply criticized the administration for its "vacillating and irresolute, cowardly and pusillanimous policy," pursued by it in the Cuban situation. He said that the developments of the past weeks have shaken his faith in those who had the President's ear and confidence.

Mr. Turner declared himself strongly in favor of the resolutions presented by the minority of the committee on foreign relations and for so doing he needed no further justification than the magnificent state paper which accompanied the majority report. That paper overruled all irresolution and impotence. Mr. Turner maintained that Congress should not delegate to the President the power to make war.

After vehemently attacking the President for the delays which had occurred in the sending of his message to Congress, Mr. Turner charged that the delay last week was not due to the request of Gen. Lee, but to the fact that Archbishop Ireland had cabled to the Vatican in the hope that the Holy Father might be able to bring about a peaceful solution of the difficulty. The President was waiting upon the Pope's action taken to secure that which American diplomacy had failed to obtain.

Mr. Hoar followed Mr. Turner. He thought the present was no time for impassioned rhetoric and manifestations of approval of war sentiment.

The Senate will not vote on the Cuban resolutions before tomorrow night.

IN THE HOUSE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 14.—Some of the House republicans are already organizing a movement looking to the acceptance of the Senate resolutions when they pass that body. They fear that if the resolutions go to conference concessions may be made and delay may follow. The Senate resolutions being the more vigorous, please many of the Radicals better than the House resolutions.

SPANISH MINISTER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 14.—Spanish Minister Polo y Bernabe has made formal preparations for immediate departure when Madrid instructs him to leave. The French ambassador will care for Spain's interests.

A PERILOUS JOB.

The attention of quite a number of passersby on Market street this afternoon was attracted by the strange sight presented by Charles Davis, the well known bricklayer and two other men who were busily at work on the top of the big chimney on the Carpet corporation. Though in a most perilous position, the men appeared perfectly at ease and frequently walked to the edge, and looked over, much to the nervousness of those who watched them from below.

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At the Lawrence police court yesterday William J. Hanrihan of the Franklin House, Lawrence, was fined $150 and received a sentence of three months in the house of correction for maintaining a liquor nuisance. He appealed.

FATALLY INJURED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Millbury, Mass., April 14.—Word was received here this morning that Alexander Ritchie, a blacksmith, was fatally injured and John Fitzgerald, James Chase, and John Simons, stonecutters, were badly hurt by an explosion of dynamite in Leavitt's granite quarries, East Douglas, last evening.

A ROUGH VOYAGE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, April 14.—The White Star steamer Majestic which arrived this morning from Liverpool encountered a succession of heavy west and north west gales with high seas nearly the entire voyage. At midnight of the 11th inst., a steerage passenger named Hans Poulson, aged 16 years, disappeared and is supposed to have jumped overboard.

NOT A CITIZEN.

A French American citizen writes to The Sun to say that Dr. Rochette, who Mayor Bennett favors for city physician is not a citizen of the United States. If this be so, the Mayor's nomination of Dr. Rochette will not meet with much favor from the aldermen.

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A BIG SENSATION

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Bennett Croaks Down and Weeps.

While riotous scenes were being enacted in the National House of Representatives yesterday afternoon, there was another sensational scene occurring in the House of Representatives of this state in which Rep. Bennett of Saugus, was the principal character.

The debate up to the point where Mr. Bennett delivered a verbal assault on Senator Bennett and others interested with him, and declared that they were a "gang of speaking thieves" trying to get their hands into the treasury of the commonwealth up to their elbows, was not of particular interest, and was listened to languidly by the members of the house.

Previous to this, however, Mr. Grimes of Reading had told the house that Mr. Bennett of Saugus fought "like the monarch" on one of his sheep farms.

"He fights with his head and without reason," said Mr. Grimes, "and all you have to do is to step one side as he comes and let him butt his head against the nearest object."

Mr. Bennett replying referred to "the sneaking hypocrites who have taken retainers from Senator Bennett," and declared that "if the chairman of the committee on roads and bridges (Mr. Grimes) had Senator Bennett's money in his pocket" he could not have shown more solicitude for the north shore route.

The speaker at this point warned Mr. Bennett that he was using unparliamentary language.

M. Bennett said he would try to do better, but retorted that it was difficult to keep within parliamentary grounds when "such a wicked, rascally piece of thievery was going on."

Mr. Bennett was in the area in front of the speaker's desk, and was speaking with very evident passion, to the evident amusement of chairman Grimes of the committee on roads and bridges.

"Look at him!" shouted Mr. Bennett, pointing at Mr. Grimes. "Size him up! Isn't he the kind of a man that goes whining through his nose pretending to take high moral ground."

He proceeded to pay his respects to Mr. Hayes of Lowell, who opposed him on a highway matter one day last week.

"The gentleman from Lowell," said he, "is usually in accord with a notoriously pretty good fellow in the lobby. And it will be noticed that the votes of the gentleman from Lowell usually agree with the expressed opinion of the good fellow in the lobby."

Mr. Bennett apologized and try to go on, but he could not do so, and the house was obliged to gaze in silence at a strong man's tears.

"I want the House to understand that I feel very deeply upon this matter," said Representative Bennett incoherently.

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Thus, Says Henry White, Must Come Improvement of the Worker.

Under the auspices of the People's Institute of New York Henry White, general secretary of the United Garment Workers, delivered an address recently in which he said:

Fifty years ago, when labor saving machinery was yet in its infancy, the relations between employer and employee were quite friendly. The functions of the employers were fraternal. But now things are changed, and the breach between the two classes seems to widen daily. The rich become richer and the poor poorer. Why is this? It is because there are so many unemployed in the labor market who are forced to compete with the employed, lowering wages and spreading misery.

Trades unionism is trying to root out this evil which is menacing society by quiet but persistent agitation. The improvement of the condition of the masses cannot be brought about by a general uprising of the working class. The salvation of suffering humanity is a matter of evolution—slow, but sure. The trades union is the most powerful factor in this evolution.

If the number of the employed were reduced gradually, we should soon reach such a condition that there would be enough for everybody and all discontent would disappear. We have innumerable statistics to show that if the people have the courage to grapple with the question a general eight hour day could be established in a few years. The evolution would be very gradual, but certain. I know it to be a fact that if every workingman worked eight hours a day and child labor is abolished every man in the country may have work enough to support his family decently.

Reforms could then be introduced which would have a reasonable chance of being successful, because the people would then be intelligent enough to adopt them. A man working eight hours a day has leisure enough to educate himself. When the people are dull and stupid, like cattle, reforms have no effect. They may be introduced by intelligent and energetic enthusiasts, but the seed which is sown falls on barren ground. There is no response. Those for whom the reforms are intended are too dull to grasp their significance and value.

Another evil, the tendency of which is to aggravate the misery brought on by the vast hordes of the unemployed, is the tendency of the agrarian population to migrate to the centers of population. More and more laborers from the farms come to the cities every year. The cities are already overcrowded, and these agricultural workmen bring starvation and suffering of every description in their train.

Work should be made more congenial to the agricultural laborer. His hours of labor should be reduced. He should be treated like a man, and he should be decently paid. It is the imperative duty of our legislators to influence legislation in the direction of improving the condition of the agrarian population. They would only be protecting the interests of their constituents.

Another good way to thin out the unemployed in the large cities would be for the government to colonize the great stretches of fertile lands in the west. Colonization is a great remedy for the overcrowding of the labor market. There is room for all in the great plains of the west. Nobody denies this. It is only necessary for a few courageous men to take the initiative and start the movement.

All those who had studied labor problems at all admit the correctness of my arguments. All that is needed is for these arguments to be brought to the attention of the public.

Brotherhoods Federated.

A special from Indianapolis to the Cincinnati Enquirer says: The semi-official announcement is made, although the fact has been guarded with much secrecy, that the federation of the railway brotherhoods, not including the engineers, has been accomplished, but that the federation will be kept open until Oct. 1 in hope that the engineers will yet approve the movement.

The consolidation of brotherhoods has been mooted for years, and after many plans had been suggested and disapproved the grand officers finally originated a scheme which was voted upon by the different brotherhoods and approved by an overwhelming majority, the engineers not included. The details were consummated during March at Peoria, Ills., and confidential circulars are now being distributed saying that the new order has been effected.

Should Work Together.

The amassing of great wealth by any one man is a thing that is wrong. Today the churches are beginning to wake up, and I am anxious to see them give their sympathy and support to the cause of labor and the principles that are being advocated by labor unions. The latter, it is true, go through periods of folly and periods of strike before coming to the period of good sense. They do not gain anything by strikes, but they do gain by the spirit of love and forbearance. The church and the unions ought to go hand in hand, for their purposes are alike inasmuch as they labor for the realization of the kingdom of God.—Rev. John P. Peters.

Machines on Government Work.

The Copper Plate Printers' union of Washington is asking the support of organized labor to prevent the introduction of power presses to be used in printing United States notes, revenue stamps and other securities. The machines would displace over 100 employees. A similar effort to introduce power printing presses in this department was made by the government several years ago, but the opposition of the steel and copper plate printers' organization led to its abandonment.

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PTOMAINE POISONING.

It Is Said There Is No Antidote For It That Science Knows.

Physicians are not wholly agreed as to the accuracy of the diagnoses which ascribe to ptomaine poisoning the death of eight persons in New York city within a week, and yet it is a coincidence which they cannot explain that all but one of those were taken ill after eating sea food, the symptoms being identical in every case. One man who died of ptomaine poisoning, as reported by his physician, was taken ill after eating beefsteak. Shad roe and oysters had been eaten by the others who are reported to the authorities as having been poisoned to death by ptomaine.

The best authorities say that a most thorough chemical analysis would be necessary to establish beyond question that any of these cases was due to ptomaines developed in stale fish or meat. The only autopsy performed was that one which revealed that Anton Seidl was suffering from organic disease of such nature that an attack of indigestion, which a healthy man would have thrown off, would be likely in his case to cause death. In his case the indigestion was due to shad roe, but no chemical examination of the stomach was made, so that it is impossible to say that his death was due to ptomaine poisoning.

There are many persons in New York who will not eat fish unless they know that it was taken from the water within two or three hours of the time that it appears upon the table. Mr. Depew is one of these. He was made very ill once because he ate fish that was not fresh, and he has since then eschewed it.

The physicians do agree, however, upon one point, and that is that if those persons who died after symptoms resembling ptomaine poisoning did really eat sea food or flesh in which ptomaine had been developed, then their death was certain, for there is no antidote that science knows. If a sufficient quantity of infected food is eaten to cause death by ptomaine poisoning, then death will follow as certainly and almost as swiftly as though prussic acid had been taken.—Holland in Philadelphia Press.

SCHOOL FOR CHINESE LADS.

Pittsburg Chinamen Propose to Teach Them Yankee Ways of Doing Business.

"There are several hundred Chinamen in and around Pittsburg," said Mr. O. S. Fowler of that Pennsylvania city recently, "and they are going to inaugurate a plan by which a number of young Chinese lads will be brought over to America and given an education, embracing mastery of the English language and Yankee ways of doing business.

"The proposition is to establish a school for that purpose, and there is hardly a doubt that the enterprise will be carried out. A Chinaman, who has a young brother at home will be glad to defray the boy's expenses to the United States and his schooling while here so that he may go back and assume a position of influence in his native land by reason of his mastery of modern business methods. The Chinese are enthusiastic on the subject and many of them have announced a willingness to subscribe money.

"It will be a good thing not only for the Celestials, but for the United States, for since there is going to be sharp competition for the trade of the east it will be a good idea to have dealings with Americanized Chinamen. Germany has been for a long time at work encouraging the coming of Chinese youth to the schools of the fatherland, for she wants a share of the fat commerce of the empire. As a consequence, the German language is heard over there oftener than any other foreign tongue. If we can, by pursuing the same tactics, cause many of the young men of China to come here to be educated, we will get our share of the oriental trade."—Washington Post.

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suffer by modern wars are not the men who provoke them. Every modern war is a burden upon the poor man, while the glory is reaped by a few officers and stock jobbers."

He admitted that the insurgents were entitled to American sympathy. "Our hearts are stirred," said he, "by their noble struggle for freedom." At the same time, the insurgents were not altogether without blame for the system of warfare practised in Cuba. He quoted Clara Barton in support of this statement, paying her a high compliment. He did not, however, think that the action of the Cubans should prevent the United States from intervening. He appealed to the senators not to be divided on any technical question or to make partisan political capital out of the situation. He said that it was perfectly right to expel Spain from the island. "With this," he said, "we are all agreed. Peace can only come with the expulsion of Spain from Cuba." This being the case, he added, he was perfectly willing to give the president power to intervene at any time when circumstances rendered it necessary. It was within the constitutional right of congress to delegate this right to the president. He thought that the house resolutions were admirable, but that whatever congress might do, "all other things will be added to us by the inexorable and inevitable logic of events."

Mr. Davis asked that a vote be taken before adjournment. To this objection was also made. Mr. Caffery said that no good interests could be subserved by hasty action. There could be no relief that would be substantial given to the reconcentrados, who were the worst sufferers by the Cuban struggle.

"Those poor people," interjected Mr. Morgan, "are now dying at the rate of 1000 a day, while we are inactive."

Mr. Frye said: "I will tell the senator from Louisiana (Mr. Caffery) what relief can be given to the reconcentrados. The pathways from the United States to Cuba will be opened by our ships of war and, following in those pathways, will go the vessels of peace, loaded with food and provisions for the starving people of Cuba which will be distributed among them for their relief instantly upon a landing on the island."

Mr. Carter said: "The country requires that we act and not talk on this matter."

When the senate adjourned Senator Davis, in charge of the resolution, repeated his intention to ask the senate to sit continuously unless an agreement to fix a time for a vote can be secured. "I see no other way of bringing the matter to an issue," he said. "I do not enjoy night sessions any more than other senators, but I appreciate the importance of getting the speeches off and of securing a vote at the earliest possible hour."

Anxious as Senator Davis and others of his mind are for a speedy vote, the indications are for considerable delay. The vice president already has received requests from about 20 senators for recognition to speak and others are expected to make similar application. All these insist that they have no intention of speaking for the purpose of causing delay, but nevertheless they will consume many hours of time. It would seem now that even in case of continuous session a vote would not be probable before tomorrow.

All day long conferences of senators were held looking to a possible agreement upon the form of resolution to be sent to the president. Great efforts were made for the house resolution, which was known to have been satisfactory to the president and which was supported by the conservative senators. It is not believed that the house resolution can pass the senate, and the prospects are that the committee resolution will have an amendment recognizing the republic of Cuba before it is passed, the friends of recognition claiming a clear majority for it. The conservative senators believe the house proposition will win in conference, the impression being that the house will refuse to yield and, in order to prevent further delay, the friends of Cuba in the senate will accept the house proposition.

Mr. Fairbanks declared that Spain must make amends for the blowing up of the Maine. He hoped to see the independence of Cuba secured, but he was not prepared at present to favor the recognition of the independence of the so-called republic. The first imperative duty resting upon us was to establish tranquility in the island, relieve the suffering and distressed, and then enable the citizens of the island to deliberate and form a government upon such lines as their highest and best interests required. In conclusion, Mr. Fairbanks said: "The Spanish flag must be withdrawn and cease forever to contaminate the air of this hemisphere. To the high and holy cause of humanity we dedicate the lives and fortune of the republic."

DECLINED COURTESIES.

Washington, April 15.—Until Thursday the Spanish minister has continued to accept the numerous courtesies extended to him, including the hospitality of the cabinet officials and others high in the government service. In view, however, of the reports of foreign committees in congress and of the grave trend of affairs, he has decided not to accept further courtesies of this character, it necessarily involves his coming into close personal relations with public men who may have participated in the denunciation of Spain in official reports.

It is the feeling in diplomatic circles that under ordinary circumstances the action in congress—the report of the two foreign committees, the passage of resolutions by the house, and the character of the debate—would make it incumbent on the Spanish minister to leave without further awaiting eventualities, which are now regarded as unavoidable; but against this it is known that the Spanish government will not, either by the withdrawal of the minister or any other step, place itself in a position of having invited a recourse to war. On the contrary, the entire policy at Madrid, it is said, is to remain passive until the United States not only makes the tender of war, but executes it by unmistakeably overt acts.

It has further been developed as the policy of Spain that she will resist armed intervention in Cuba as an attack upon her sovereignty. Although unofficial suggestions have appeared in the inspired press of Madrid that a protest might be made against that feature of the president's message suggesting armed intervention, a protest has not been made, nor, it is said, is there a present probability that it will be made. The only certain feature in this regard is that the Spanish cabinet has resolved to yield to no pressure, no matter how great, toward American intervention in Cuba, but to accept such act of intervention as meaning war.

EXCHANGE OF NOTES.

Washington, April 15.—It is learned that another exchange of notes has been begun among the European powers with a view to making representations on the Spanish-American situation. The present movement is not of the same mild character as the former one, and it is the general impression among diplomats that there will be little difficulty in arriving at a common ground, in view of the prevailing sentiment abroad. It is not so certain, however, that all of the powers are ready for a step of this character. Germany has of late shown a disposition to avoid exerting strong influences on the United States. Russia is also thought to be somewhat indifferent. France and Austria are most active in the present movement as they were in the former one. Whether all of the six powers are ready to join in the movement is in doubt, and without this united action it is felt that the force of such influence would be lost.

VIEWS OF LEE AND SIGSBEE.

Washington, April 15.—The testimony taken by the senate committee on foreign relations on the various phases of the Cuban question constitutes a book of about 650 pages and includes not only the testimony taken since the disaster to the Maine, but also much that was taken before, and running back for a year or more. The statement which contains the greatest current interest is that made by Colonel General Lee, who said regarding the loss of the Maine: "I am satisfied the explosion was from the outside. I cabled the state department a few days after the board assembled that it was almost certain that the explosion was from the exterior. I have always had an idea about the Maine that, of course, it was not blown up by any private individual or by any private citizen, but it was blown up by some of the officers who had charge of the mines and electrical wires and torpedoes in the arsenal there, who thoroughly understood their business, for it was done remarkably well. I think the explosion came from some of the subaltern officers who had been there under Weyler, and who were probably anti-Blanco, anyhow, and who had full knowledge of the business."

Captain Sigsbee, in command of the Maine at the time of the disaster, was examined on March 31. He repeated his opinion that the Maine was destroyed by a mine, but in his opinion no larger than could be planted near the vessel at any time in broad daylight, and under direct vision, with the means available in Havana for that purpose. He thought 12 men, having mutual confidence and preserving secrecy, could have planted it, and that it could have been done while the ordinary discipline and watchfulness was observed on the ship.

NEWS TO BE WITHHELD.

Washington, April 15.—Gradually the lines are tightening around the news centers of the navy department. Some time ago Captain Crowninshield, chief of the bureau of navigation, issued an order forbidding any of the employes of his bureau giving out news except on permission from him. This did not interfere with the posting of the movements of the ships Thursday. However, the officials gave notice that hereafter no more information would be given to the public respecting the arrival and departures of vessels from any of the United States or foreign ports. This is done under explicit orders from Secretary Long, who believes that in times of a great crisis like the present, when the navy is likely to be called into active requisition, the best interests of the government require that no publicity shall be given to the movements of the ships composing it.

RAISING OF TROOPS.

Washington, April 15.—Major General Miles, commanding the army, said yesterday that considerable misapprehension exists in regard to the raising of troops in the event of war. He thought the people should understand the situation more thoroughly than appears to be the case at present.

"In the event of the passage of the resolution reported by the senate foreign relations committee," said General Miles, "the president would have authority to call into the service of the government militia to the number of about 12,000 men. The third section of the resolution directs and empowers the president 'to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the actual service of the United States the militia of the several states, to such extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.'"

TWO LONDON PAPERS.

London, April 15.—The Times says editorially: "Spain's note to the powers can have no effect except perhaps to delay the issue. The powers certainly will not intervene; while if they did neither the United States nor Spain would listen. It is doubtful whether, even if President McKinley regained his authority over the situation, he could now stem the tide of popular sentiment in America for war."

The Morning Post advises Spain to act promptly, "as every day's delay increases the probability that the force against her will be stronger than it is now."

AN ALLIANCE SUGGESTED.

London, April 15.—The Daily Chronicle from what it calls a "well-known correspondent," signing himself "Anglo-Saxon," prints a remarkable letter advocating an overt Anglo-American alliance to compel the liberation of Cuba without war by an overwhelming display of force. Commenting on this letter, The Chronicle thinks it "an opportune moment to seek to bring about such an alliance or entente, especially in view of the common interests of the United States and Great Britain in China."

DEED OF A FIEND.

New York, April 15.—In Brooklyn yesterday Luigi Menterello, a barber, invited Giovanni Lombardi, 60 years of age, into his shop to be shaved. In the midst of the operation of shaving, Menterello drew the razor across Lombardi's throat, and fled. Lombardi started in pursuit, but soon dropped dead. Menterello gave himself up. It is said that a feud had existed between the two men.

KILLED A BOY.

Bristol, Vt., April 15.—While A. J. Crane was amusing several children last evening by firing a small cannon, after having warned the little ones to keep a proper distance, the cannon exploded and a piece hit Jesse Hickey in the face. The boy died within an hour after the accident.

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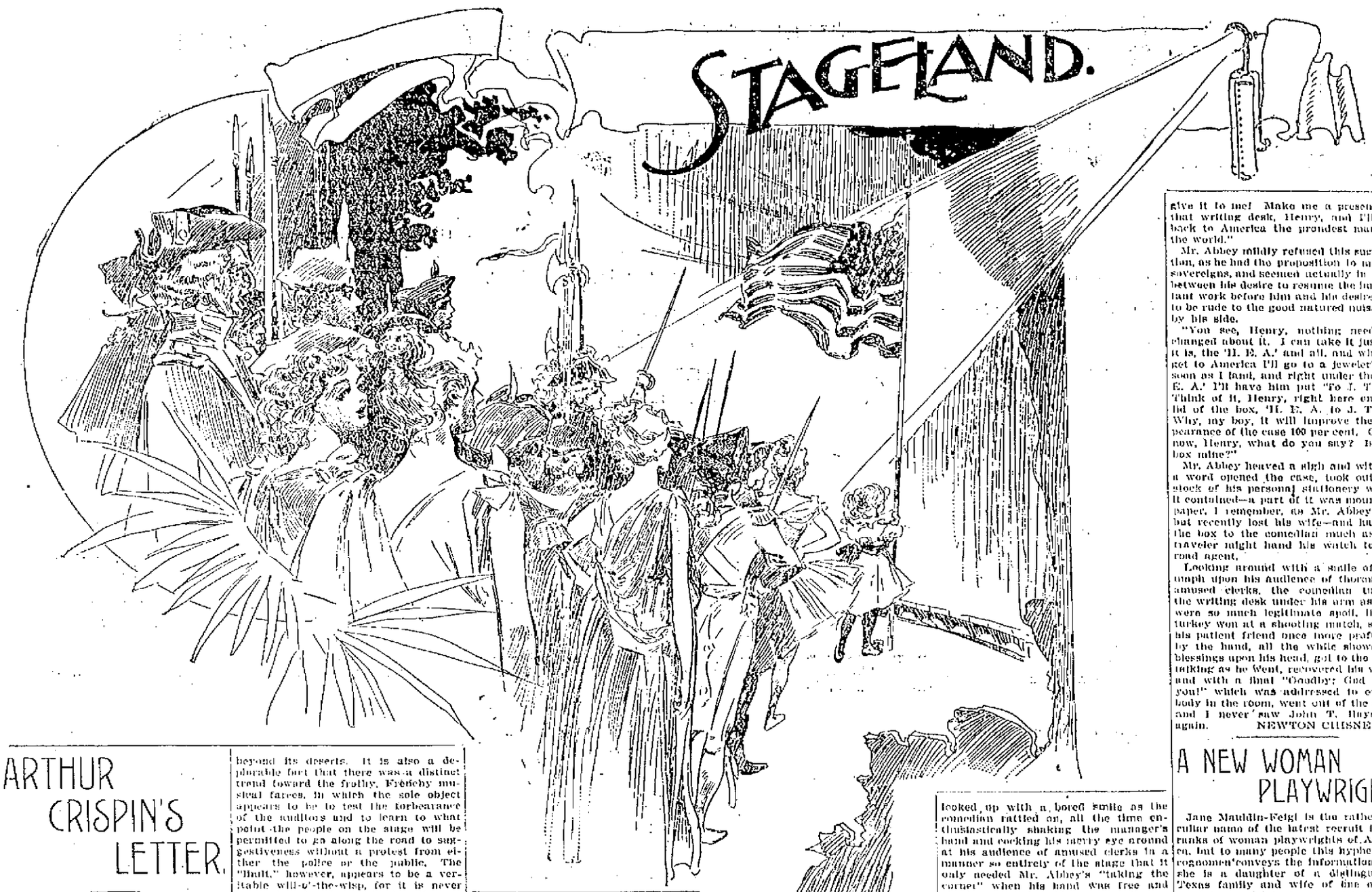

ARTHUR CRISPIN'S LETTER.

Theatrical News and Gossip of the Week In New York City. Rumors From the Rialto.

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New York, April 11.—The theatrical season in New York, as in many of the smaller cities of the country, is now fairly on the wane. Several of the houses here have already closed, and others will do so shortly. Every season has to wane and eventually come to an end, and that condition is of itself not significant, but the fact that this particular season has seen fit to go into the waning business so early is decidedly ominous. I asked a prominent manager the other night for his explanation of this undesirable change. He followed the fashion of the day by asserting that the bicycle is responsible for the early falling off in patronage. As, by common consent, the bicycle has been blamed during the last few years for every change in business conditions, this theory was not a particularly novel or satisfying one. But the manager then condescended to go a bit further, and I think he contrived to really strike at the root of the evil.

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He said that there are too many theaters now and that cities which a few years ago were veritable Klondikes for traveling companies have degenerated into tolerably fair two-night stands which one is obliged to play for a week, and of course lose money. The success of the original houses tempted so many persons to go into the business that the goose that laid the golden egg was speedily laid low herself. The show business is not alone in the tendency to fall into these blunders, but I'll wager that it can show more and bigger mistakes than any other profession in the country, for when it comes down to doing that which no sensible man would regard as even worthy of consideration for a moment the theatrical magnate is always well to the fore, with his hands eagerly stretched beyond the line.

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And, speaking of the practically ended season, it has been unique in many respects. Business on the road has been ghastly enough to make Banquo's ghost hide his diminished shadowiness in shame. A few shows have made money in the smaller cities, but those which were so fortunate can be named in a few seconds, while those which either came to grief or had a hard time to avoid it are so numerous that the list would fill a good deal of space in this column.

Here again has the curse of too many theaters made itself felt. Towns which ought to have a single place of amusement and about two shows a week have three or four theaters and possibly three performances a week in each. There is just about so much money to be spent in amusements in any place, and when that is divided by 9 or 12 instead of by 3 the quotient is bound to represent discouragement and disappointment for the manager.

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In this city, on the other hand, business has been exceptionally and uncomfortably good. Those entertainments which were really worthy have had long runs and have made small fortunes for their projectors. There has, it is true, been a penuity of good plays, and the result has been that much of no special value has been patronized far beyond its deserts. It is also a deplorable fact that there was a distinct trend toward the frothy, Frenchy musical farces, in which the sole object appears to be to test the forbearance of the auditors and to learn to what point the people on the stage will be permitted to go along the road to suggestiveness without a protest from either the police or the public. The "fault," however, appears to be a veritable will-o'-the-wisp, for it is never reached, and each year in this city sees the audacity of certain exploiters of "legs and lingerie" increased. There are those who believe that these people will take a different tack next season, not because of any change of heart, but for the reason that while the public is apparently willing to tolerate any amount of indecency at which the police do not rebel, the field has been so thoroughly threshed over that there is no longer a possibility of providing the so called "startling novelties" which New Yorkers like to delude themselves into believing are the only things they will tolerate.

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The final authoritative announcement that Viola Allen will positively try starring next season has set the tongues of the gossips along the Rialto to wagging overtime. As in all such cases, these fellows predict certain and dire disaster for the talented leading lady of the Empire theater stock company. They give many reasons, chief among which is that "she is not well enough known."

She is certainly much better known than was Maude Adams, whose success as a star has eclipsed that of any other stellar debutante of the past decade. I am inclined to think that the recent turn in the affairs of Miss Adams and Henry Miller has had much to do with influencing Miss Allen to strike out for herself, but these two remained with Mr. Frohman and had the influence of his name and management. It is whispered that no matter what denials may be made it is still possible that Miss Allen will arrange with Mr. Frohman to handle her initial starring tour. If she should do that, there could be little question of the successful outcome of the enterprise.

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But, if Miss Allen's break from the Empire company has caused the Rialtoites to chatter like magpies, what shall be said of the effect produced upon them by the announcement of the name of her successor? As has been stated generally, Miss Jessie Millward is to take the place made vacant by the retirement of Miss Allen. Miss Millward is best known in England as an exponent of the heroines of melodramas such as are exploited most frequently at the Drury Lane theater, London. She nearly always played the opposite parts to William Terriss, who was recently murdered by a crank. She was to the feminine side of high grade melodrama what Terriss was to the male side. She was a co-star with him on a tour of this country which is said to have been fairly, though not superlatively, successful, and it was the opinion of many persons whose judgment is entitled to consideration that Terriss was much the better performer of the two.

Still, no one will contend that Miss Millward is not a competent actress. The only point at issue is as to whether she will be able to win the approval of audiences and critics accustomed to the careful and always artistic work of Miss Allen. As Mr. Charles Frohman is a notoriously cautious man when it comes to the selection of a successor to a public favorite and has never yet made a mistake in that direction, it is but fair to assume that he had some very potent reason for engaging Miss Millward.

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The matter, though, which has irritated the Rialtoites so greatly is that Mr. Frohman should have gone to the other side of the water for a new leading woman for the Empire company. They argue that, even conceding that no woman here is better fitted for the position from a histrionic standpoint, there are many in this country who are certainly more peculiarly adapted to the roles which usually fall to the lot of the leading lady of the Empire, by reason of the possession of youth and great beauty. This is ungallant and not wholly true. Miss Millward is of course older than she was some years ago, but she can "make up" to look very young on the stage, and while she is not as beautiful as Lillian Russell or Maxine Elliott she is a very comely woman. She is what might be called "vivid" in her stage methods, and it is more than likely that she will win her way into the hearts of the patrons of the Empire theater, particular and captious as they sometimes are.

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If ever a woman deserved sympathy at the same time that she excited admiration, that woman is Julia Arthur. When, immediately after the beginning of her initial starring tour in "A Lady of Quality," everything she had in the world was burned in a theater in Detroit, her friends feared that she would simply give up and go back to a position in some other company. But they must have been woefully ignorant of this young woman's character. She set to work at once to have everything replaced and opened her New York engagement on time. Then she began to make money again, and when things looked brightest for her she was stricken with a serious illness, which came nearer to having a fatal termination than most persons imagined. Still, she has been a great success and can now take her pick of the bookings in the most prominent theaters of the country. She will have absolute rest this summer, and it is predicted that she will be as strong as ever when the next season opens.

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And while on this topic it may not be amiss to call attention to the fact that the person who has stood between Miss Arthur and trouble whenever it has threatened is Arthur Lewis, her brother, from whose first name she took her stage surname. This was Mr. Lewis' first season as a manager, and he was beset at the beginning by scores of annoyances which would have discouraged most people. Everything he did in the direction of exploiting his star was ridiculed by the "old timers," who cannot be brought to believe that anything that is original can be meritorious. The fact that most of these same ideas have since been widely imitated ought to be some solace to the youthful and talented manager for the many gibes with which they were at first greeted. It may not be generally known, but it is true, that while the fire in Detroit was still raging Mr. Lewis telegraphed an order to this city for a complete reproduction of the elaborate "sets" which were at the moment sizzling and crackling merrily in the fiery vortex at which he was vacantly gazing. The sister has lots of pluck; so has the brother, and so long as the business relations of such a pair continue it is hard to figure out how failure can ever fix its blighting touch upon them.

Arthur Crispin.

A Nimble Young Acrobat.

Nine-year-old Amy Hardcastle of Philadelphia is a wonder in her way. She is one of the most nimble little dancers and acrobats in the country, and the score or more of medals that decorate her breast show that her talents have been appreciated. She dances on her toes and on her heels, turns somersaults and handsprings backward, frontward and sideways, and besides is a very clever little singer. It is rumored that she has closed an engagement to appear in London.

A NEW STORY TOLD ABOUT H. E. ABBEY.

Interesting Scene Between the Famous Manager and John T. Raymond That Took Place In Abbey's London Office.

The late Henry E. Abbey was very busy in his London office one day in August, 1883. A number of clerks at desks in different parts of the room were hard at work, coming now and then with unfinished paper in hand and receiving a quiet word of instruction from their chief, or advising with one another, comparing documents or consulting ledgers, but all working industriously and silently. The place was far more suggestive of the executive seat of some gigantic commercial house than the office of a showman. It was near the opening of Mr. Abbey's season at the Lyceum theater, London, and of his still more important operatic venture at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, besides Henry Irving's first tour in America under his management.

Mr. Abbey himself was busier than any of his clerks. His table was heaped with papers. At one side, and devoted entirely to his private and personal correspondence, lay a magnificently bound alligator leather writing desk, ornamented with silver trimmings and with Mr. Abbey's initials in large silver letters upon the lid. The busy manager was writing slowly, but so intently and cautiously that the importance of his work was evident. Now and then a messenger, cap in hand, would silently give him a telegram or a cablegram, which he would read and answer without a word and then resume his work. Suddenly the door was thrown open, and this almost solemn silence was interrupted by a hearty voice that any American would have recognized in a moment in whatever part of the globe he might have heard it:

"Hello, Henry! Here I am. I start for Liverpool at 4.18. I couldn't leave without bidding you goodby."

It was John T. Raymond. He came in with a valise in one hand and an umbrella in the other. I think, too, he wore a linen duster. He began to speak before he was seen; he was speaking as he entered and continued to speak with scarcely an interruption until he made his exit. It was like his first entrance in a new comedy. The scene was his, and he held the stage until he left it. His walk was always funny, and as he came forward to shake hands with his managerial friend his "business" of stowing his umbrella under the arm and holding his valise, instead of placing both on a chair or on the floor as he might have done, was altogether professional.

Mr. Abbey laid down his pen and looked up with a bored smile as the comedian rattled on, all the time enthusiastically shaking the manager's hand and cocking his merry eye around at his audience of amused clerks in a manner so entirely of the stage that it only needed Mr. Abbey's "taking the corner" when his hand was free and slowly separating his crushed fingers one by one to complete the old time stage business.

"Yes, Henry; I'm going back to America today; start for Liverpool in one hour; take the 4.18 train." (Looking at his watch.) "No, by Jove! I haven't got an hour. How time flies! Well, goodby, Henry, old boy. Any special message for your friends over the pond? No? All right, then. I'm off for the great republic—the land of the free and the home of the brave! England's all right, you know, Henry, but then America—ah, America! Well, goodby, old man. The best of luck to you."

"Goodby, John. The same to you and a pleasant voyage." Mr. Abbey had arisen and, evidently glad the interruption was nearly at an end, was smiling good naturedly, but with a tired look, and shaking hands with the enthusiastic comedian. By the time John had reached the door Mr. Abbey was seated at his desk again and with pen in hand was only waiting for the comedian's disappearance to resume his work. On reaching the door, however, the retreating actor stopped as if suddenly reminded of something of the utmost importance, dropped his valise to the floor, and, still retaining his umbrella in one hand, while fumbling in his trousers pocket with the other, flew back to Mr. Abbey's desk.

"Henry, before I go—I've only got one left—one solitary English sovereign. Come, now, you match me or I match you. Which shall it be?"

"No, no, John. You must excuse me. I'm very busy, and"—

"Call it, then. Here goes, now," tossing the coin in the air. "What is it? Come, now, give it a name."

"No, John, really," protested the annoyed manager, no longer concealing his impatience to resume his work. "I can't. I'm very busy, you know, and"—

"All right, Henry. No sporting blood today, eh? Then I suppose I'll have to

HENRY E. ABBEY.

take this 'quid' back to America with me, but I'd rather leave it with you," making a pretense of going and returning immediately. "Come, now. Just once. What is it? Head or tail? No? Very well. Goodby, Henry." This time Mr. Abbey did not arise when he shook hands. Just then the comedian's eye lighted on the magnificent writing case on the manager's desk.

"Well, Henry, that is a beauty! Let me look at that for just one moment," taking it up without further permission. "Now, Henry, do you know, this is positively the most magnificent thing I have ever seen in all my life. A writing desk and such a writing desk! And these silver letters, 'H. E. A.' Oh, yes, of course, I see, 'H. E. A.'—'Henry E. Abbey.' Well, well! Why, this is fine enough for a gift to an emperor! A gift to an emperor? Ah, a good idea—give it to me! Make me a present of that writing desk, Henry, and I'll go back to America the proudest man in the world."

Mr. Abbey mildly refused this suggestion, as he had the proposition to match sovereigns, and seemed actually in pain between his desire to resume the important work before him and his desire not to be rude to the good natured nuisance by his side.

"You see, Henry, nothing need be changed about it. I can take it just as it is, the 'H. E. A.' and all, and when I get to America I'll go to a jeweler's as soon as I land, and right under the 'H. E. A.' I'll have him put 'To J. T. R.' Think of it, Henry, right here on the lid of the box, 'H. E. A. to J. T. R.' Why, my boy, it will improve the appearance of the case 100 per cent. Come now, Henry, what do you say? Is the box mine?"

Mr. Abbey heaved a sigh and without a word opened the case, took out the stock of his personal stationery which it contained—a part of it was mourning paper, I remember, as Mr. Abbey had but recently lost his wife—and handed the box to the comedian much as the traveler might hand his watch to the road agent.

Looking around with a smile of triumph upon his audience of thoroughly amused clerks, the comedian tucked the writing desk under his arm as if it were so much legitimate spoil, like a turkey won at a shooting match, shook his patient friend once more profusely by the hand, all the while showering blessings upon his head, got to the door, talking as he went, recovered his valise and with a final "Goodby; God bless you!" which was addressed to everybody in the room, went out of the door, and I never saw John T. Raymond again.

NEWTON CHISNELL.

A NEW WOMAN PLAYWRIGHT.

Jane Mauldin-Feigl is the rather peculiar name of the latest recruit to the ranks of woman playwrights of America, but to many people this hyphenated cognomen conveys the information that she is a daughter of a distinguished Texas family and wife of one of the most successful young newspaper men of New York city, Colonel Fred Feigl, editor and proprietor of The Tammany Times. Mrs. Feigl has been known, both in her native state and in her adopted home, as a writer of clever verse and good literary matter. She even tried her hand at editorial work on her husband's paper, with such success that the desk she usurped one day in a spirit of fun remained her undisputed possession for over a year, for she belongs to the type of fearless, independent Texas woman who does not hesitate to tackle anything from a bucking broncho to a typewriter.

It was in much the same spirit that she first attempted playwriting. As is usual with young writers, her first effort was a problem play of almost melodramatic cast. This she submitted to A. M. Palmer, who, as was to be expected, returned it. But his reasons for declining it were rather complimentary and encouraging than otherwise. They were that two plays, one by Sardou and the other Dumas' "Denise," which Mrs. Feigl's piece somewhat resembled in style, had failed in America, and he feared that the public did not care for any more in the same line. However, he liked the comedy of the piece and asked that, if Mrs. Feigl should ever turn her hand to lighter playwriting, she should submit the results to him. This gave her the suggestion of "A Paris Model."

The comedy was written amid many interruptions from an infant son, who claims even more of Mrs. Feigl's attention than her literary work, and every evening she awaited the receipt of a telegram from his nurse announcing his good health with more interest and anxiety than she did the rising of the curtain on her comedy. On the night that the play was produced the telegram was delayed, and the mother-author was on the point of taking the train for New York to see if her son was all right, leaving the baby of her brain to its fate. And when, in response to calls for the author from the audience, the actors went to hunt for her they found her hidden back of a piano reading and rereading the dispatch announcing that the son and heir of the Feigls was all right.

Moreover, this new dramatist has not advanced beyond the point where she thinks nobody can teach her anything. On the other hand, she is constantly courting criticisms and seeking suggestions. As a result the play was considerably improved in several minor details during its stay here. Bright bits of business were introduced and superfluous dialogue was eliminated, all tending to knit together still more compactly a very cleverly constructed comedy. The principal change was that of the nationality of the ubiquitous janitor from German to Hibernian, this being more in keeping with the true condition of affairs in metropolitan flatdom, which is so cleverly caricatured in this comedy.

It was also decided that Leo Dietrichstein, as the broken down French tenor, was too good to keep, so an entrance was devised for him in the first act. Mme. Pilar Morin is also given more opportunity for the display of her pantomimic talents, which are remarkable, and Miss Haslam, whose performance of the leading comedy role was excellent from the outset, has even improved upon that by experience, which goes to prove the dictum that plays, comedies especially, are constructed rather than written, and few of them are as complete at their first performance as was "A Paris Model."

David Belasco has provided a fund to award a medal annually to the best student in each of two classes in the American Academy of the Dramatic Arts of New York city.

STORIES OF THE STAGE.

Della Fox Has an Adventure on the Rail—Melville Stewart and the Bookseller — Humble Life of a Famous French Comedian.

A very funny story is told—not by the advance agent—of a little experience Della Fox had on a certain railway trip from Washington to New York. It seems that Della and her manager, Nat Roth, left Washington together on a Saturday night train immediately after a night's performance. They sat up enjoying the scenery by moonlight until the train pulled into a station near Baltimore. They were to stop some time, and after a moment's thought the comic opera star got off to take a look at something in the depot. She was gone about ten minutes, and what was her consternation upon returning to see the train pulling out about 500 feet up the track. For a moment she was dazed, and then, raising her skirts enough to show the crowd of loungers on the depot steps a decidedly well turned ankle, she struck out after the vanishing train.

A brakeman on the last car waved her back, and after a thought of the wildness of running after a train she stopped. Then she remembered that Roth had all her ready cash and started again. After a breathless trot of about 60 rods she finally saw the impossibility of catching the train and gave it up. But, lo! on turning around in deep despair she found her own train quietly waiting on a side track, with a crowd of laughing men on every platform. Another train had pulled in and out while she was in the depot, and it was that that she had chased. And Della blamed Nat for the whole business.

A pathetic story is credited to Melville Stewart, the baritone of the Castle Square Opera company. Before he went on the stage he was a clerk in a London bookshop. "One of our most frequent customers," says Mr. Stewart, telling the story, "was a shabbily dressed man. Now and then, after purchasing a shilling novel, he would ask to look at some edition de luxe of standard English authors. He would handle the books with trembling hands and return them to me with such reluctance that I knew he was a book lover. I missed him for nearly a year, when he came back to the store leading a child, dressed in mourning, as he was, and I could see she must be his daughter. He said to me with almost pathetic timidity:

"'I want you to prepare for me an edition of Dickens bound without regard to cost and with the best insertions that you can get of Cruikshank's engravings.'

"I did so, and they were the most beautiful copies of the great novelist's works I ever handled—the covers in russia calf, soft as a baby's cheek; the thick, uncut paper printed in the boldest type. After that I became very friendly with this gentleman and discovered his life story. He had been a poor, unfortunate clerk, with a bachelor uncle who was wealthy, but who denied him all his life what he was forced to leave him at his death. His wife had died just one year before the demise of the man who had caused her to suffer so many privations in life, and all the luxury and wealth that he gained were like the apples of Sodom to him, except as they gave him opportunity of rearing luxuriously his child. As I say, we became very well acquainted, and I called at his house frequently. I went there one afternoon and entered the library without knocking, as he always bade me do. I saw him standing in the center of the room, the most embarrassed of men, apparently, to me. He held his hands behind him. I said to him:

"'I fear that I have intruded upon you!'

"He said, 'You have not,' and then, with a sharp, nervous laugh he reached out from behind his back, and, of all things in the world for a man of his wealth and library to possess, he stretched forward to me a ragged, tattered, worn and soiled copy of 'Little Dorrit.' The great tears stood in his eyes as he did so.

"'Mr. Stewart,' he said, 'you, of course, are surprised at my reading a book like this, with this magnificent edition of Dickens that you prepared for me, but the story of that sacrificing girl has had its effect on me, and, like her, I remember the vicissitudes and the unkindness of the world and can get more enjoyment out of turning the pages of this cheap edition than I could by reading from the one you sold me.'"

Frederick Lemaitre, the famous French actor who died in 1876 and to whose memory a monument is soon to be erected in Paris, began his stage career in a humble way. The Gaulois tells the story of his first appearance, which was in the theater of the Varietes Amusantes. Tall and athletically built, young Lemaitre presented himself before the director of the theater, who asked him what especial roles he wished to play.

"Oh, I'm not particular!" was the cheerful reply.

"Very well. Consider yourself engaged. From today you are a member of my troop at a salary of 30 francs ($6) a month. Are you satisfied?"

"I should be hard to please if I were not."

"In that case you may begin your work on the day after tomorrow."

"But—my part?"

"Oh, it will not take long to learn that. You have strong lungs? Just shout a bit to let me hear if you have."

Frederick Lemaitre gave a roar which shook the windows in their casements.

"Splendid!" exclaimed the director enthusiastically. "You will make a magnificent lion!"

"A lion?" repeated the astonished applicant.

"Why, yes, a lion. I predict certain success for you, considering how you can roar."

Two days later the young artist, enveloped in a magnificent lionskin, made his debut on all fours in a pantomime called "Pyramus and Thisbe."

RECENT TOPICS OF THE STAGE.

Samuel Bernard and Maud Haslam are to act next winter in "The Marquis of Michigan," and the place left vacant by Bernard in Weber & Fields' company will be taken by David Warfield, who has delineated a certain type amusingly in several New York Casino reviews without ever having given much variety to it.

A little boy of 13 went to the theater the other night. On the way home he said to his mother: "I'm going to write a good play. There won't be any engagements or marriages or any nonsense of that kind in it, but I'll have the actors do something on the stage all the time." If he can manage that, this little boy is the coming playwright.

Carrie Keeler supposed that she took the place of Beatrice Cameron Mansfield in the Mansfield company during the illness of that actress, but as not all the leading female roles were assigned to her she became angry and resigned.

At one of Loie Fuller's "At Homes," which in London and Paris are frequented by interesting men and women, Camille Flammarion and the late Alexandre Dumas met for the first time. The astronomer expressed some surprise that their paths had never before crossed. "Ah, cher maître," retorted Dumas genially, "that is easily accounted for. You rarely come down from heaven, while I—never go up there."

Perhaps the money made out of "The Black Crook" exceeds the profits of any other American play. The title became a trademark for spectacular ballet over 30 years ago and has never been out of use, though now it is applied only to a female minstrel show in the low vaudeville theaters, and nothing from the original piece is retained.

Two young lovers in mimicry are also lovers in fact. They are Lionel Barrymore, son of Maurice Barrymore, and Angella McCaull, daughter of the late John McCaull. They are playing in "Cumberland '61," and the publication of their matrimonial engagement renders them such objects of interest that the audiences are amusingly alert to every word and movement in their scenes of wooing.

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SLIGHT BLAZE.

The alarm from box 125 at 2.50 this morning was occasioned by a slight fire in Ellen Hennessy's tenement block in Quigley's Court. It caught in the rear end from an overheated stove and worked up through the roof.

THE GYPSIES

HAVE ARRIVED AT NO. 20 CENTRAL STREET.

Roving Franks Band of Romany Gypsies form the Boston Zoo have taken possession of the large store at No. 20 Central street, which they fitted up with trees tents, and the place presents a true picture of gypsy life. There are six in the band and their patrons are mostly ladies. Everything about the camp is conducted in a nice, clean, respectable manner, and no doubt the gypsies will do a nice business while in Lowell.

RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

IN WHICH MR. HOSELY OF AYER RECEIVES SEVERE INJURIES.

A horse purchased by Mr. Hosely, an Ayer farmer, at an auction sale yesterday, ran away at School street railroad crossing, throwing the old gentleman out and fracturing his ribs. The runaway was hitched to the team drawn by the family horse, and being skittish, broke the rope, kicked down the hind wheel, and made a wild dash through Railroad street. Mrs. Hosely was in the wagon at the time with her husband, but escaped injury. Mr. Hosely was taken in the ambulance to the Lowell General hospital.

MOTHERS' CONGRESS

FROM MAY 2 TO MAY 7th INCLUSIVE IN WASHINGTON.

Definite state organization will be effected at the Second Congress of Mothers and duly accredited delegates from organizations working along similar lines, will be entitled to vote upon and amend the constitution and by-laws presented.

Each club of not less than five members may be entitled to a delegate. Clubs of twenty members or more will be entitled to two.

All clubs and organizations intending to send delegates will please notify the National office as soon as practicable.

Delegates from general organizations will be most welcome and will have special courtesies extended to them, but will not be allowed to vote upon Constitution and By-laws.

Visitors will also be welcome.

Special railroad rates have been secured over the main roads throughout the country one and one-third fare for the round trip.

The hotel headquarters during the Congress will be at the Ebbit House, Fourteenth and F. street, N. W. Uniform rate, $3 per day.

The sessions will continue from May 2 to 7, inclusive, and will be held in the Grand Opera House.

The following are the topics of some of the addresses at this second congress of mothers:

"Some Social Aspects of Child Study," "Harmony at the Hearth," "Humane Education, Its Place and Its Power in Early Training," "The Mothers Who Need Help and How to Help National Training School for Women," "What Shall Be Taught and Who Shall Teach It?" "Nurseries," "The Training for Motherhood and the Public Schools," "Literature for Children," "Fireside Schools," "A Pure Press," "Expression Necessary to Evolution," "Our Defective Children: What Can We Do For Them?" "The Father's Responsibility," "The Industrial Plays and Games of Children," "Memore's Storehouse," "Education of Mothers," "The Child in Music," "Child Study and Religious Teaching," "The Ethics of Making and Spending Money," "The Children's Palace," "Some Common Errors in Regard to the Education of the Deaf," "Structure, Growth and Repair of the Little Human Machine," "Kindergarten Training a Necessity," "The Physical and Moral Effects of Worry," "Origin and Philosophy of the Don't Worry Movement," "A Little Child Shall Lead Them," "The Home as a Center of Patriotism," "The Relation of Parents to the Public Schools," "Our Birthright," "The Ultimate Purpose of the Kindergarten—The Development of the Life," "The Eternal Womanly," "Every Mother a Kindergartner," "Stories and Story Telling for Children," "The Physical Aspects for Child Life," "Children's Rights," "The Necessity of Training Schools for Nurses," "The Value of Domestic Science Lessons to Children and Others Equally Vital and Interesting."

There are to be in all, during the six days the congress is in session, from May 2 to May 7, inclusive, between fifty and sixty addresses from men and women well known throughout the country.

Address all communications to National Congress of Mothers, Loan and Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

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BAND CONCERTS

Committee on Commons Will Pay for Four.

THEY WILL BE GIVEN ON THE COMMONS.

Base Ball Grounds at Fort Hill Park.

The committee on commons held a meeting last evening. Alderman Cosgrove presiding.

It was voted to instruct the superintendent of commons to place flowers in the park on Centralville hill and in Park Garden in Belvidere and that he also make such improvements as possible in keeping up the tone of these parks.

The committee decided to close the open stone arch at the Tyler Park fountain with a wire screen and run a pipe through from the back side to the front to afford a drinking place.

The question of laying out a ball field in Fort Hill park was discussed, but owing to a lack of funds, it was decided impracticable to attempt to lay out a regular diamond with a backstop, and the superintendent was instructed to roll the present field and put it in as good shape as possible with the means at his command.

The question of band concerts was brought up by Alderman Tuttle, who thought it was as well to settle the matter now as at some future time.

After some discussion it was decided that inasmuch as there was but $250 to be expended for music for concerts there could be but four during the year.

The concerts will be held on the north and south commons.

The matter of draining the South common was discussed and it was explained by Alderman Tuttle, who is on the committee on sewers that the latter committee is already at work, clearing out the sewer leading under the common.

SATURDAY'S SUN

The Sun will have twelve pages tomorrow. The special features will contain matter of general interest to all our readers. There will be an extensive article on "A Timely Lesson in American patriotism." This article has been prepared as special reading on Patriots' Day, which comes next Tuesday. It will be finely illustrated, the battle ground at Concord being shown as well as a grand portrait of Paul Revere. Albert P. Southwick's contribution this week is timely, inasmuch as it deals with a question in which we are all particularly interested. He will write of the strength of the Spanish navy and the article will be illustrated with a picture of the Spanish fighting ships in action. General Daniel F. Sickles, the ex-United States minister to Spain, will have a very pointed interview in tomorrow's Sun. Brides and bridal tours is the leading topic discussed in the women's page. The Mothers' Congress also is treated in detail. For the sport lovers, there is plenty of baseball, horse trotting, gossip and other topics that will please them. The page of laughs will be the funniest yet and the illustrations will be the most comical ever seen. Be sure to get a copy of The Sun tomorrow and receive the benefit of these valuable contributions.

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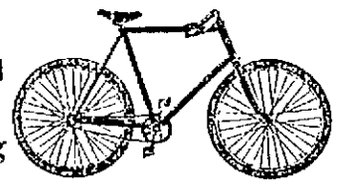

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The 1898 Triumph

"This wheel is presented to the public with great confidence in its meeting the requirements of a thoroughly good wheel at a comparatively low price. In material and workmanship it is excellent in every respect. It is very carefully inspected, and we think it handsome in its lines, and beautiful in its finish. We know it is strong, and is easy running because of the high character of its bearings. For every-day riding in city or country for hill climbing, coasting or touring, we believe it will prove to be entirely satisfactory to all riders. It is as well finished and as fine in appearance as many higher priced wheels.

Ladies require a wheel which is just as strong, just as easy running, and in every respect as good as that built for men's use exclusively. We think that in our Triuph we are presenting to the ladies just such a wheel; handsome, good as it looks, thoroughly reliable and comfortable. There is room for mounting, a position giving full control of handle bars and pedals, and the rider may feel that she is mounted upon a wheel she can depend upon.

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The new Blouse Suit, made of all wool broadcloth, trimmed with satin braid in black, blue, green, Yale, Cadet and tan. For Saturday only. A stunning suit.

$10.00

Tan Covert Jackets, trap seams, trimmed with pretty buckles, silk lined with fine quality of Taffeta. A remarkable bargain. For Saturday only. Worth $7.50,

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Imported Covert Jackets, strap or fancy corded seams, lined throughout, including sleeves with expensive Taffeta, both fly front or new reefer style. A garment retailed usually at $15.00. For Saturday our price

$10.00

Ladies' Fancy Cloth Capes, trimmed elegantly with satin braid and steeled lined with fancy Taffeta, collar of satin ribbon. A small lot of 25. Worth $5.00. For Saturday,

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MISPLACED SWITCH

CAUSES AN ACCIDENT TO THE THEATRE TRAIN.

The theatre train from Boston met with a slight accident while proceeding slowly from the Northern depot to that on Merrimack street at 12.20 this morning.

According to the report, several of the cars were being backed down and the engineer had no way of telling whether the switch light was all right for him to go ahead. The result was that the end car crashed into a car standing on the next track and the woodwork of each was badly splintered before a stop was made.

There were several passengers in the cars being backed down, but they were not hurt except for the momentary fright given them.

It is understood that the man in charge of that switch and several others in the vicinity says they were all in proper condition when he left them. The two cars which collided will have to rest for awhile in the repair shop.

CORPORATION RETURNS.

Belvidere Woolen Mfg. Co.—C. A. Stott, treasurer. Annual meeting on March 1, 1898. Real estate and buildings, $87,270; machinery, $11,000; cash and debts received, $1269; manufactures and merchandise, $321,748; total, $451,-296. Certificate filed April 1, 1898. Capital stock, $200,000; debts, $91,957; profit and loss and res. for depreciation $159,339; total, $451,296.

Sterling Mills, Lowell, B. Phipps, treasurer. Annual meeting, Jan. 19, 1898. Real estate and buildings and machinery, $80,000; cash and debts received, $1580; manufactures and merchandise, $254,357; total, $335,937. Certificate filed April 2, 1898. Capital stock, $100,-000; debts, $89,927; profit and loss and res. for depreciation, $146,010; total, $335,937.

CARPET MILLS

MILLS RESUME WORK ON MONDAY FOR TWO WEEKS.

The Carpet mills which have been shut down for the past two weeks, will resume work next Monday.

It was stated at the counting room yesterday that the mills will run at least two weeks, a few days a week, as they have been running for some time past. Although eight days work with a probability of more isn't much of an inducement under ordinary circumstances, still it will now be gladly welcomed as the operatives have been out of work the greater part of the winter and many of them are sadly in need of money.

The Murray club of the First Universalist church held a chafing dish party last night.

There will be no session of the schools of the city next Tuesday, it being Patriots' Day.

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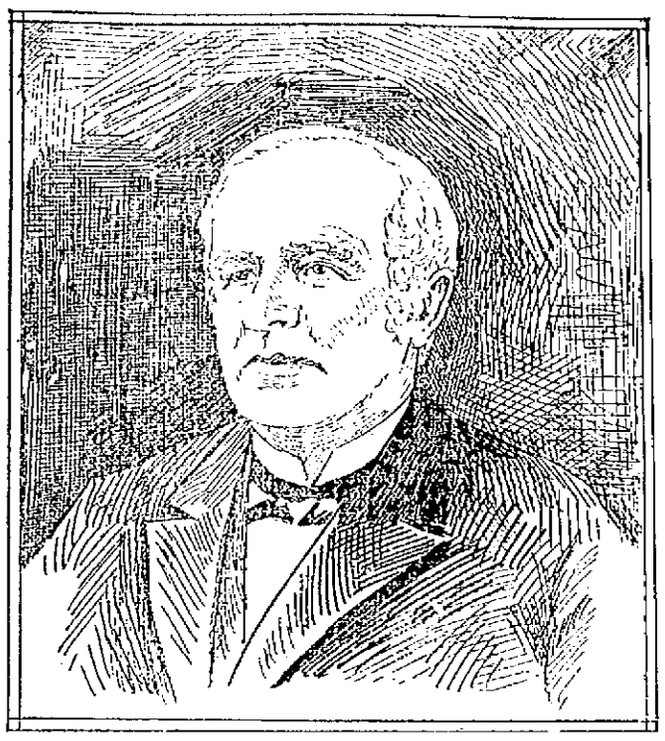

THE LATE SAMUEL HORN.

LATEST!

MR. BAILEY SCORES REED

Democratic Leader Says Speaker Caused the Scene.

In the House of Congress Wednesday—Bailey and Dalzell Cross Swords—Democrats Cheer Their Leader—He Prefers Self Respect to Offering Insult.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15.—There was another lively scene in the House today. Rising to a personal explanation, Mr. Bailey said the speaker was responsible for the late scene in the House. Hot words were passed between him and Mr. Dalzell (Rep., Pa.) who alleged that Mr. Bailey was taking his daily airing and that he had, as the papers said, lost his head. Mr. Bailey responded angrily that gentlemen when insulted and called liars, were charged with having lost their heads if they resented it. He said he would infinitely prefer to lose his head in resenting an insult than his self respect in submitting to one. The House was keyed up to an intense pitch. The democrats applauded Mr. Bailey's utterances and the republicans broke into cheers when the Speaker with a voice trembling with suppressed feeling, declared that he would not enter into a discussion with Mr. Bailey. Whatever he had done on Wednesday last or any other day had been done in the presence of the House and of 1000 witnesses. He scored Mr. Bailey severely and said he was ready to rest his justification on the judgment of those who had witnessed it.

Mr. Bailey attempted to reply, but regular order was demanded and routine business resumed.

Mr. Fleming (Dem., Ga.) as a matter of privilege asked that the committee of naval affairs be discharged from the further consideration of his resolution calling upon the secretary of the navy to know whether the report of testimony before the board of inquiry on the Maine disaster contained all the testimony taken by that board. The Speaker ruled that the Fleming resolution was not privileged.

SHE PREFERS WAR

Reported Interview With Queen Regent of Spain

SENATORS ARE INTERESTED IN THE REPORT

That the Powers Will Try Again.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, via Bayonne, France, April 15.—The Queen is quoted as saying that she prefers the horrors of war to tarnishing the prestige of the army or the impairment of the rights of the crown.

SENATORS INTERESTED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15.—Much interest was expressed among senators in the Associated Press report of probable renewal of the concert of the European powers in the interest of peace between the United States and Spain. While senators, as a rule, professed to be ignorant of the movement, they generally expressed the opinion that the report was based upon actual developments because they considered nothing more probable than that the powers should continue the efforts when once made.

SOMERS DISABLED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Falmouth, Eng., April 15.—The United States cruiser Topeka, formerly the Diogenes, and the torpedo boat Somers, which left Portland on Wednesday, have sought shelter here. It is said that the crew of the Somers have again refused to continue the voyage in her, owing to her unseaworthiness.

"BILLY" BARRY DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, April 15.—William J. Barry, the well known comedian, died at his home in Brooklyn today. He had been ill of a complication of stomach and liver trouble for some time and his death was hourly expected for several days. William J. Barry, familiarly known as "Billy," was born in Ireland about 48 years ago.

Mr. Barry's wife is dead. Seven children survive him.

BIG FIRE RAGING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Richford, V t., April 15.—Word was received here this forenoon from Sutton Que., a small town about eight miles from here asking for help to fight a fire which was raging there. A hose company was promptly sent by special train and together with a fire company from St. John's, Que., joined the small force at Sutton, but at noon time the fire was still burning. Seven buildings at that time had been burned, including Curley's Hotel, Labean's Hotel, the C. P. R. station, Horight & Sanford's store, Swett's store and two residences.

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LOST—BETWEEN H. H. WILDES & CO.'S store, Market street and the Central block, a tan colored alligator skin pocket book containing a sum of money. Reward at H. H. Wilder & Co.'s, 29 Market street.

FOR THE CHILDREN. Just received a large lot of wheelbarrows to be given away with one pound of tea. O'grien Bros., Tea Dealers, 57 East Merrimack street. Tel. 69-4.

NIGHT EDITION

SIX O'CLOCK

McKINLEY WILL NOT VETO IT

Reported That He Will Sign Resolution for Cuban Independence

If One is Passed by Congress--Cabinet is Waiting for Congress to Act—Semi-Official Announcement of Spain's Position—Will Never Give up the Island—Lively Discussion in the Senate—Senator Daniel Delivers a Stirring Address.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15.—The cabinet meeting today was devoted to a general discussion of the Cuban situation. The government has received no intimation of the preparation of any note on the part of the powers and members of the cabinet do not think the effort obviously made by Spain to concentrate the powers in her favor will result in their agreeing on any particular line of action.

The present position of the administration is that of awaiting congressional action without attempting to influence or postpone its decision. The President, it can be stated, is not at all likely to veto any resolution that Congress may adopt on the Cuban question. The administration does not believe Congress will pass a resolution for the recognition of the insurgents, but if it should a veto of it would be very improbable. It is said, however, that the President might regard it as an encroachment upon his prerogative, the constitution clearly making it the duty of the executive to recognize the independence of a nation. At the same time, the cabinet has not discussed the course to be pursued in the event of congressional declaration for independence.

SPAIN'S POSITION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15—In view of conflicting reports, the semi-official statement of the Spanish position as to the surrender of Cuba is given out by a high foreign authority.

"Once and for all let it be understood that the erroneous impression as to Spain's relinquishment of the island of Cuba are false and are calculated to inspire false hopes and embarrass intelligent action. The government of Spain has never entertained the thought, and never will entertain it, of evacuating Cuba. At no time has there been any consideration of any step withdrawing the sovereignty of Spain over her West Indian colonies. The honor and dignity of Spain revolt at the suggestion of the independence of Cuba, which would reduce alike that island to the misery of irresponsible rule, and at the same time terminate a Spanish authority irreparably bound up with the prosperity of the island. These and other reports that Spain is slowly yielding to a retirement from Cuba are both mischievous and groundless. No rulers, no statesmen, no Cortes of Spain would ever consider such a humiliation. But in the face of it Spain, always desirous of peace and ready by every honorable means to secure peace, will stand resolutely in defense of her inalienable right, her sovereignty and her honor. And she feels confident that she has with her the entire moral support of the entire civilized world."

THE SENATE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15.—The discussion on the Cuban resolutions was continued today. Senator Cullom delivered a lively speech.

Mr. Berry (Ark.) was recognized immediately after the conclusion of Mr. Cullom's speech. He prefaced his remarks by stating that as a senator of the United States he was present in his seat on the upper floor of Congress to uphold and support the President of the United States in his efforts to bring peace out of the chaos now existing. He wanted to vote for the resolution offered by Mr. Turpie, which proposes to recognize the independence of the present republic of Cuba. He thought this was absolutely essential to place the country on an honorable footing before the nations of the world. Whatever resolution is adopted he would be found supporting the hands of the President.

Senator Daniel was next recognized. His fame as an orator being known, there was a craning of necks on the part of the people in the galleries to listen to the opening sentences which fell from the lips of the distinguished Virginian. "We stand upon the edge of war. The nation is one with the sword in its hand and if the word that now hesitates upon the lips be spoken and the command 'Forward!' be given upon some proud day the Stars and Stripes will be waving over Morro Castle and Cabanas prison.

"The men who declare this war are not the men who will prosecute it in the field. They are not the men who will sustain the gory and bullet-tattered standards before the enemy. They are not the men, even, who will pay the taxes imposed to carry on the war. Let the Senate to go on in its own measured, amid no rancorous scenes." Mr. Daniel said that he was content neither with the House resolution nor with the Senate committee's resolution. He rose, he said, to support the resolution presented in the supplementary report of the foreign relations committee.

"In my judgment," said he, "our first step should be to write on the statute books of the country a recognition of the great Cuban republic which has won a place among the independent nations by its own valiant sword."

Some sharp criticisms of the President's action and message induced a heated colloquy between Mr. Daniel and Mr. Gray (Del.) In response to a question of Mr. Daniel, directed to Mr. Gray, as to the position of the President, the Delaware senator replied: "I agree with the senator from Virginia in that I support the country, but I also support the constituted majority of the country placed in power by the suffrage of 70,000,000 people."

Mr. Daniel, referring to Mr. Gray's support of the President inquired to what extent he gave him his support, inasmuch as the President had made no specific recommendations in his message.

"I will answer the senator,' responded Mr. Gray, "by reading the recommendations of the President." He then read a paragraph from the President's message and continued: "I recognize that as a specific recommendation."

"I admit,' said Mr. Daniel, "that my language was perhaps, too broad." He went on to say, however, that the interpretation to be placed upon the recommendation was that the United States should lay hostile hands upon both Standards and Cubans to stop the rebellion, instead of upholding the insurgents in their grand fight for liberty.

"I would hang my head in shame," declared Mr. Gray, impressively, "if I believed to be true the suspicion which the senator from Virginia harbors. I believe him to be absolutely and completely wrong."

"I am delighted to know it," responded Mr. Daniel. "When the senator informed me that the President of the United States does not have the desire to crush the Cubans under the gallant Gomez, I will say to him that it is more than a suspicion."

"I am not glad to hear this," replied Mr. Gray, "because I do not believe there is a single man within the confines of this broad country except the senator from Virginia who harbors in his heart so base a suspicion against the President of the United States."

Mr. Daniel maintained that the recognition of the Cuban republic would solve all financial difficulties and liabilities that in any other event arise. He believed that there was a responsibility resting upon this country to preclude any possible danger of the United States becoming liable for either Spanish or Cuban bonds.

Mr. Daniel concluded his speech with a brilliant and eloquent peroration in which he apostrophized the cause of the Cuban people in their struggle for freedom and liberty. "I will not," he declared, "be driven by a committee; I will not be driven by the President. I'd rather be a political Cuban reconcentrado on the island than to be an American senator and not proclaim the freedom and independence of the brave young Cuban republic."

The prospects now are that there will be no vote in the Senate today. There will be a night session, perhaps, lasting long into the evening, although an effort will be made by the conservative senators to secure an adjournment at six o'clock. Another attempt will be made to reach an agreement to vote tomorrow but with the long list of senators yet to speak there is little hope of success.

Mr. Tillman took the floor and said there would be war whenever the resolution should be adopted. But there was no reason for note audibly saying what we meant to do. Mr. Tillman said he would speak in a non-partisan way, adding, "Populists, Republicans, Democrats are we, but all Americans ought to make Cuba a free country."

Mr. Tillman dwelt on the passage of a belligerency resolution by Congress two years ago and of an independence resolution a year ago. In view of this fact, he contended the executive was to blame for the present condition of affairs. If the Spanish flotilla should get into American waters, it would not be the fault of the United States Senate.

It is announced that no vote will be taken today in the Senate.

STEAMERS CHARTERED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15.—The government has chartered the steamships St. Paul, St. Louis, New York, and the Paris of the American line.

FLYING SQUADRON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Norfolk, Va., April 15.—2 p m.—The weather bureau reports the Flying Squadron 10 miles east of the Capes and coming in. It will be in the Roads in one hour.

FOR WAR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 15. (via Bayonne, France) April 15—Don Carlos urges the Carlists in his manifesto, to embark in war against the United States.

MRS. BAMFORD DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

North Adams, April 15.—Mrs. Edward Bamford, who was shot by her husband last Tuesday, died this forenoon from her wounds. Bamford, who attempted to commit suicide, will get well, it is thought. The death of the woman will result in the placing of a charge of murder against Bamford.

Mrs. Bamford made an ante-mortem statement to the effect that her husband quarreled with her over money matters.

LAWRENCE LICENSES.

BUT ONE NEW MAN GOES IN.

Lawrence, April 15.—The license commissioners met last evening and granted licenses for the year commencing May 1. The session was a long one and at its close the commissioners and newspaper men were lodged for the news. Chairman Holt presided and the entire board was present.

There are few changes. The only new man is Napoleon Guilmette of Common street.

W. J. Hanrahan, proprietor of the Brunswick, was refused a license, as was Michael J. Kelley of 105 Essex street.

To summarize the grant, Gleason gets Hanrahan's license, Guilmet gets Kelley's and Maguire keeps his present one. This is the change, according to one of the commissioners.

Club licenses have not yet been granted.

FACTORY WILL CLOSE.

Treasurer Rose of the Ayer company out of respect for the late Mr. Hills, the company's oldest employe, will close the entire plant on Monday morning to enable the employes to attend the funeral service.

Money Deposited
on or before Tuesday, May 3d, in the SAVINGS DEPARTMENT of the
TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK
will draw interest from May 1st.
At the rate per annum of..... 4 per cent. Compounded Semi-Annually.
Bank Hours { Daily 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. Saturdays { 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. 7 to 9 p. m.
Chas. J. Glidden, Pres. Wm. F. Hills, Cashier.
Middlesex Street, Cor. Post Office Avenue

Hood's Pills
Cure sick headache, bad taste in the mouth, coated tongue, gas in the stomach, distress and indigestion. Do not weaken, but have tonic effect. 25 cents. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

EXTRA

SPAIN'S NOTE TO POWERS

Charges Sugar Manufacturers With Causing the Revolt.

It Will Charge U. S. Consuls With Being Insurgent Agents—"Spain Compelled to Fight for Its Rights and Honor"—"All Nations Know the Cause of Maine Disaster."

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 15.—A special despatch from Madrid published this afternoon says: "The note to the powers will review the whole Cuban question, pointing out that all the trouble with the United States arose through the clamor of the sugar manufacturers, who, it is claimed, fomented and organized the entire revolt. Attention will be recalled to the alleged unmolested American filibustering.

The concessions made by Spain will be enumerated and the note will point out that while Spain has done everything possible to pacify the island, the consuls of the United States, it will be alleged, have conducted themselves as insurgent agents and the statement will be made that, when autonomy promised the desired result an American squadron was sent to Cuba to encourage the insurgents to hold out.

These contentions, it is added, will be supported by documentary evidence which, it is alleged, will prove the bad facilities displayed throughout by the United States toward Spain.

The note to the powers will conclude with declaring that Spain, having exhausted every means of peace, is "reluctantly compelled to prepare for war and to fight for the maintainance of its rights and honor." Senor Sagasta, the Spanish premier is quoted in a special despatch from Madrid as saying, with reference to the destruction of the Maine having been caused by Spanish agency "This infamous calumny merits the reprobation of the whole world. All the nations know the true cause of the disaster and many American officials know it too, for the American government to make a plea of intervention upon heartless calumny of this character is to rebel against reason and justice. For this reason, it is impossible for us to refrain from protesting firmly also to the powers against imputation."

CURIOUS WEDDING GIFT.

James Somerville Fined For Trying to Recover His Bride's False Teeth.

James Somerville of New York was recently fined $10 in the West Thirty-fourth street police court for tormenting his wife on the street and trying to remove from her mouth two false teeth. Mrs. Annie Somerville, the wife and complainant, is known as the belle of a tassel factory in New York. To lose the two teeth from the lower row, front, would be to lose that title, and she called Magistrate Wentworth's attention to that fact.

The Somervilles were married about six months ago and lived happily until a few days ago, when the husband lost his place. Mrs. Somerville then returned to her parents' home and secured employment in the tassel factory. The husband submitted to the change, but determined to have his presents back. The two teeth had been among the wedding gifts from him.

"I wanted to make her look pretty for the marriage ceremony," the prisoner said, "so I gave her the new teeth to fill up that gap. They cost me $3, and as she wouldn't live with me I thought that I had a right to get them back."

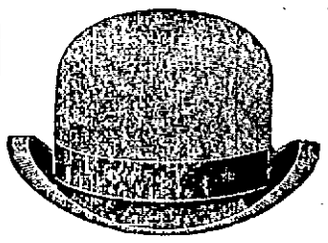
After the magistrate had seen how the complainant looked both with and without her false teeth he decided that the prisoner's offense had been a most serious one and so informed him when imposing a fine of $10.—Exchange.

WE AIM
To introduce moderate priced Foot wear without sacrificing quality or variety of styles, and never before have we found a market so responsive to a cash offer as now. Therefore, buying largely, we secured exceptional values in several lines of Shoes, Men's Vici in dark brown shade, Boston toe, lace shoes at the low price of $2 a pair. Ladies' Kid Button and Lace Kid and patent tips, $1.50 a pair. Little Men's Russets $1 a pair.
J. J. LONERGAN,
215 DUTTON STREET.

BUY A JACOB DOLL PIANO
—75 Pianos to select from, 18 different makes. The Jacob Doll Piano is the talk of the town. If you haven't one your neighbor has. Doll Pianos everywhere. For sale by SAMUEL ORR, Agent, Music Building.

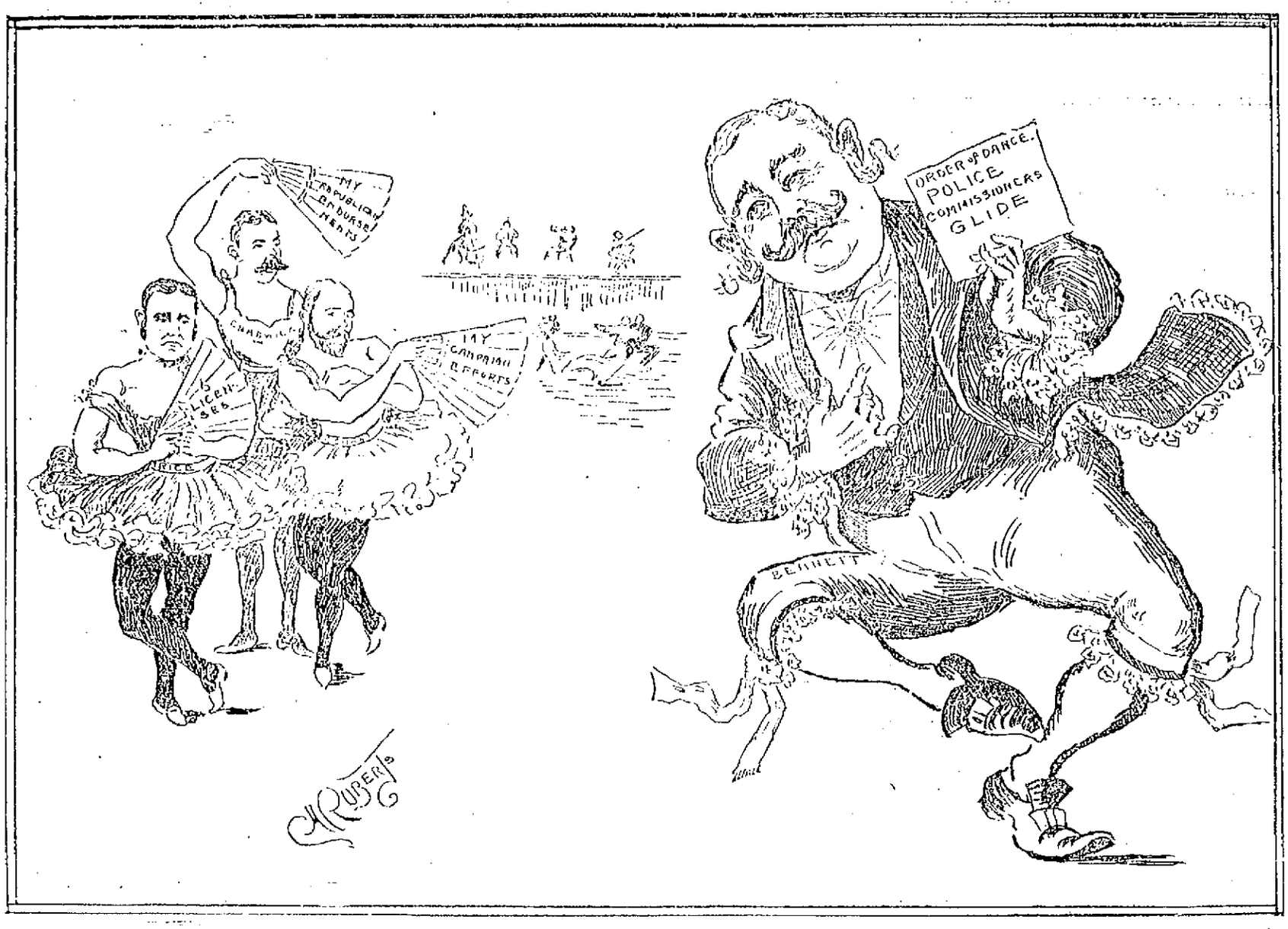
First class job printing done at this office.

J. L. CHALIFOUX
49 to 59 Central Street.



Spring Style, 1898.
If You Burn Your Money When You Buy Your Hats
It's needless to do it. You can keep in touch with the best of the season's styles and save from 50c. to $1 by coming here for your headgear.
Our Hat Department Stands at the Head of Them All.
$2.00.
The strong points of our popular line of Derby Hats at $2 are extraordinary elegance for the price. A little examination will clearly prove that they are in every point the peer of the $3 blocks in other stores. Colors black, brown, tan, and neutrin.
89c.
If you are for an elegant hat at an economic price, don't lose sight of our leader, fur stiff, in four shades, at 89c. Few stores show its equal under $1.50.
75c.
The Fedora Hat we sell at 75c. is a special favorite with many of the most stylish dressers. Colors, black, brown, and neutrin.

Cook, Taylor & Co.,
CENTRAL STREET.
20,000 YARDS
Colored Dress Goods
To be closed out regardless of cost. Special for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 12, 13 and 14.
1 lot All Wool Figured Novelties, regular prices 50, 62 1-2 and 75c. a yard, all marked to close at
25c. Yard
1 lot Colored Plaid and Plain Dress Goods, regular prices 25 and 37 1-2c., marked to close at
12½c. Yard
1 lot All Wool Light Colored Mixtures, regular 37, 50, 62 1-2 and 75c. qualities, marked to close at
19c. Yard
These goods are in three lots. Prices are 12 1-2, 19 and 25c. yard. Bought from a bankrupt firm at less than one half their actual cost and we propose to give our customers the benefit of these bargains in Colored Dress Goods.
A Few Bargains in Our Lining Department.
1 lot Sponged Crepons and Fibre Chamois, regular price 35c., to close out at 10c.
1 lot very fine English Silesias, 36 inches wide, from 5 to 25 yards in each piece, worth 20 and 25c. a yard, at only 9c.
1 lot Fast Black Cambric (color warranted,) regular 8c. quality, at only 4c. yard.
1 lot Plain and Stripe Percalines, yard wide, regular 15 and 17c. quality, only 9c. yard.



WHICH PARTNER WILL HE HAVE?

ON BEACON HILL

Rep. Bennett Was on Deck Again.

BILL ON HOURS FOR WOMEN AND MINORS

Defeated Without Much Ceremony Yesterday.

Boston, April 15.—At the opening of the session of the house yesterday Mr. Bennett of Saugus addressed the chair, and said that he regretted the unceremonious manner in which the business of the house was interrupted Wednesday.

There was some debate on the bill relative to the promotion of anatomical science, which provides that the authorities of pauper and insane institutions "shall" deliver to the dean of any regular medical college of the state bodies of persons dying in the institutions who have not requested to be buried and whose bodies are not claimed by relatives or friends within 14 days from the time of death. The law at present is a permissive one so far as the officials of institutions are concerned, and any physician or surgeon may apply for a body. A third reading was ordered.

Shortly before the adjournment of the house the question came up of suspending the rules to admit orders for the repeal of the charters of the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas company and the Boston Gas Light company. The first was refused admission and the second was laid on the table.

The bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors was defeated in the house, while the senate spent nearly its entire time in considering the Harvard overseer bill, without coming to a vote.

LIFE IN BOSTON.

Boston, April 15.—At the session of the Grand lodge of Massachusetts, I. O. G. T., the proposed amendments to the laws of the grand lodge were laid over until next year. At the election of officers P. J. Chisholm was elected grand chief templar. All the newly chosen officers were later installed.

Joseph Taber, 39 years old, and married, took a dose of carbolic acid and died almost instantly.

At a meeting of the directors of the New England Agricultural society it was decided to hold the annual meeting at Rigby in August. Beside the three big stake meetings, a purse meeting will be held June 28, 29 and 30 and July 1, with nine open classes and five for Maine horses, with $400 purses.

The Massachusetts Audubon society met yesterday to protest against the slaughter of birds for millinery purposes. Dr. Charles Sedgewick Minot presided and the attendance was large. In opening Dr. Minot emphasized the seriousness of this destruction for the interests of agriculture, it being a fact that birds slaughtered for women's dress meant so many insect pests let loose upon the farm and orchard.

GRAND ARMY OFFICERS.

Concord, N. H., April 15.—At the session of the New Hampshire department, G. A. R., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Commander, Albert S. Twitchell of Gorham; senior commander, Henry L. Worcester, Rochester; junior commander, D. E. Proctor, Wilton; medical director, Dr. G. P. Conn, Concord; chaplain, Rev. Isaac S. Vail; delegates-at-large, H. E. Severence, Exeter; delegates, Andrew Hanson, Contoocook, P. Q.; J. M. Crossman, West Concord; Charles M. Pike, Keene; W. A. Beckford, Bristol.

A CLEVER EXHIBITION.

Bridgeport, Conn., April 15.—One of the most notable boxing contests ever held in Connecticut was that in the Park City theater last night before 2000 spectators. "Mysterious" Billy Smith and Joe Walcott were the principals, and they boxed 25 clever rounds to a draw. The men signed to box at catch weights, not to exceed 142 pounds. The Siler rules were followed.

The spectators included delegations from all over the state, with large contingents from New York and Boston. Betting was even and considerable money was wagered, but apart from those that had money wagered the decision was very satisfactory.

The first 10 rounds were probably the most clever exhibition of sparring ever witnessed in Bridgeport. Science was displayed that only men of the reputation of the principals could present. The rounds were hot, and Smith led and forced the fighting. After the 10th round Walcott evened matters, though in several successive rounds Smith seemed to have the best of it in infighting. The windup was the swiftest round of the night; both men rushed matters, but when the gong sounded they were on their feet fighting fast, and a draw was decided.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS DULL.

Washington, April 15.—The session of the house was dull and absolutely devoid of interest. The galleries and the floor were almost deserted. About a dozen bills were passed. All of them were of minor importance except the Curtis bill for the relief of residents of the Indian Territory. It provides for the settlement of questions involving 19,000,000 acres belonging to the Cherokees, Chickasaws, Creeks, Choctaws and Seminoles and now occupied by 300,000 whites and 60,000 Indians. It provides for the ejectment of 7000 intruders upon 127,000 acres of land. The lands are to be leased so as to give each Indian a share, mineral lands are to be leased by the secretary of the interior, and citizens in towns located on lands are to be permitted to buy titles.

MISS BREWSTER'S SANITY.

Montpelier, Vt., April 15.—Additional testimony as to Miss Brewster's mental condition was introduced yesterday. Jennie Clay testified that on the evening before the shooting, Mildred and others were at the home of Alexander Grennes, and that Mildred asked for a hymnbook, but in attempting to sing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," she broke down and cried. Mildred asked the witness in an earnest way to commit suicide. Witness saw Mildred and Wheeler together the night before the tragedy. Witnesses testified that the respondent had relatives who were insane.

IN NO. BILLERICA

Royal Arcanumites Dance With Local Council

AT ITS THIRD ANNUAL CONCERT AND BALL

Held in Talbot Hall Last Evening.

It is a long time since the cosy dance hall of the Talbot Memorial building in North Billerica has looked as attractive as it did last night when gaily bedecked in vari-colored bunting tastefully arranged with an abundance of tropical plants and Easter flowers. It marked the occasion of the third annual concert and ball of the very popular organizations, North Billerica Council, Royal Arcanum, composed of the most progressive of the male resident of the North Billerica village, who are blessed with the most charming friends of the fair sex, so that it is no wonder that the social affairs are always of the most enjoyable character, drawing large patronage from all sides. Last evening's event was no exception to the rule, being grander than any of its predecessors. A large number of Lowell Arcanumites and their friends were in attendance and a special car to Lowell was run at an early hour this morning for the accomodation of Lowell people.

The evening's enjoyment began with a concert program by Brigham's orchestra of Marlboro, Mass., the numbers being as follows:

Overture, "Bridal Rose" .....Lavallee
Selection, "Bohemian Girl" .....Balfe
Cornet Solo, "Le Suisse" .....Laferati
S. E. Brigham.
Selection, "Fanchon".....Isenman
Piccolo Solo, "Fantasia" .....Demarre
J. J. Bradley.
Finale, Popular Airs .....Bendix
Mr. W. H. Brigham.

After the concert, the grand march was formed. It was led by Floor Director John Fairbrother, and Miss Lucy Morris, followed by Herbert Ellis and Miss Daisy Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stott, John J. Connolly and Miss Mamie McKenzie and about 75 other couples. The march displayed to good advantage the many pretty gowns worn by the ladies. At the conclusion of the march, the enjoyment of an order of 23 engagements was begun. At 11 o'clock refreshments were served in the room below in charge of Mrs. James A. Routh and Mrs. John W. Broadbent, assisted by the following young ladies as waiters: Ruth Brown, Mary E. Stott, Lizzie Haigh, Essie Morris, Lily Buckley, Louise Collins, Annie Dooris, Mary Emmett, Mamie Bradley, Maggie Hughes, Alice Campbell, Marion Routh, Mamie Meehan, Minnie Callahan, Nellie Campbell, Mamie McDermott, Ethel Morris, Annie Shaughnessy, Frances McCarthy, Maggie Collins, Mabel Morris and Madge McCarthy. After the intermission, dancing was resumed and kept up until the early hours.

The officers of the affair were as follows: General manager, John W. Broadbent; assistant, Ernest Stott; floor director, John Fairbrother; assistant, Herbert Ellis; aids, Martin Conway, Edward L. McMahon, John J. Conley, William S. Taylor, William J. Cowdrey, John Meehan, Joseph Brown, George Shaughnessy.

Reception committee—John Hughes, Arthur W. Holden, John Brown, Lawrence W. Buckley, William J. Emmett, J. A. Routh, James H. Gannon.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Christopher J. Smith, O.M.I., pastor of St. Mary's church in San Antonio, Texas, the past 12 years, will sail from Portland Friday, on the Dominion Line steamer Labrador for France. He goes with Very Rev. J. M. Guillard, O.M.I., to attend the general chapter of the Oblate order, to be held in Paris for the choice of a superior general. This will be Fr. Smith's first trip abroad. He will return about the middle of July.

The engagement is announced of Miss Maude Jones and Rev. Fred E. Coburn.

Mrs. Charles R. Goddard of Marlborough street gave a charming luncheon yesterday afternoon in honor of her guest, Miss Jessie M. Nute of Boston.

Mr. Horace Wilder of Marlboro and Miss Mary L. Allen were married at the home of Mrs. A. H. Parks of Chelmsford yesterday. Fred W. Parks was best man and Miss Mattie Hall was bridesmaid. After the marriage a grand wedding feast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Wilder will reside in Marlboro.

THE CROCHET CLUB.

The Crochet club held a box party in Pilgrim Hall last evening. Mrs. L. Anderson was general manager; Mrs. Marsh was floor director, and Miss Frances McCoy was assistant floor director. The aids were Misses Annie Dailey, Ferguson and Marsh and Mrs. Jackson.

EASTER SALE.

The annual Easter Sale of the Ladies' Aid society of the Westminster Presbyterian church was held in the vestry last night and there was a large attendance. Mrs. D. T. McKinnon was matron of the sales tables and Mrs. I. Archibald had general charge of the dining room.

GENEROUS LOOMFIXERS.

The loomfixers of this city recently sent a receipt for $112 from their brother loomfixers of the New Bedford strikers.

Really, it is simply wonderful to see the rush of people to 119 Merrimack street, to buy house sites of the J. W. Wilbur Land company, the most liberal and progressive firms of home builders in the United States. The Wilbur company is composed of real philanthropists, for they help the people to secure homes and pay for them on the most liberal terms imaginable, and yet the company is not in business for its health, as that is already robust. Where the company's philanthropy comes in is in making a lot of money for its customers and just a little for itself. The company is in every way responsible and has a commercial rating which assures a strict compliance with every promise or representation made by its representatives. You can have confidence in everything which the company's representatives tell you.

BASKET BALL.

The game in Associate hall this evening will be between the Burkes and the Company C team of Nashua. The latter are the champions of New Hampshire and will give the Burkes a hard battle to win. The game should be largely attended, for the contest is just as important as any ever played here. The game will be called at 8 o'clock sharp, as the Nashua boys will come down on an early car. The Burkes will present their regular team and they expect to come out on top.

Rev. Fr. Dewsey, who is the curate at Rev. Fr. Gleason's church in Roslindale, is visiting in this city and is stopping at St. Patrick's parsonage.

When the children are hungry, what do you give them? Food.

When thirsty? Water.

Now use the same good common sense, and what would you give them when they are too thin? The best fat-forming food, of course.

Somehow you think of Scott's Emulsion at once.

For a quarter of a century it has been making thin children, plump; weak children, strong; sick children, healthy.

50c. and $1.00, all druggists.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

Are You Bilious?
THEN USE
"Best Liver Pill Made."
Parsons' Pills
Positively cure biliousness and sick headache, liver and bowel complaints. They expel all impurities from the blood. Delicate women find relief from using them. Price 25 cts.; five $1.0. Pamphlet free. I. S. JOHNSON & CO., 22 Custom House st., Boston.

JOHNSON'S ANODYNE LINIMENT
Originated in 1810, by the late Dr. A. Johnson, Family Physician. Its merit and excellence have satisfied everybody for nearly a century. All who use it are amazed at its great power. It is safe, soothing, satisfying: so say sick, sensitive sufferers. Internal and External. It cures every form of inflammation. Pleasant to take dropped on sugar. Cures colds, croup, coughs, cramps, burns, bruises, all soreness.
We have used your Anodyne Liniment in our family for years, and it is almost the only medicine we do use, and we use this for almost everything. I have used it as an external application with astonishing results. HIRAM ORDIN, Bangor, Me.
Our Book on INFLAMMATION Mailed free. The Doctor's signature and directions on every bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Price, 25 cents, 50c. bottle, $1.00. I. S. JOHNSON & CO., 22 Custom House St., Boston, Mass.

Confidence

What a wonderful amount of meaning there is in that one word CONFIDENCE. The business of the world hinges upon it. It applies to all walks of life, and the clothing business in particular. We're proud to state that our new spring stock of Clothing and methods are winning, not only the CONFIDENCE, but the friendship of the people as well. If you want to test our reputation in the matter, try one of our new Serge Suits. We won't disappoint you. We have the cream of the season's best here. We have them in both blue and black, in rough and smooth finish, 3 and 4 button Sacks, at

$6, $8, $9, $10,
$12 and $13.50.

These suits are what stylish dressers want. You will find in our large Suit Department anything you can ask for in the way of a Suit.

We are out-talked often, out-done, never!

Fashionable Outfitters.

LOWELL
ONE PRICE
Clothing Co.
72-86 MERRIMACK STREET.

Cold Storage.

We are coming to the season that you will need something to keep your meat and vegetables cold.

Now we ask you to look at our

REFRIGERATORS

No matter what others may say in their large advertisements, we know what our Refrigerators are and will guarantee that you will not find their equal in the city. Our Baby Carriages for $5.00 have no equal and our Go Carts for $3.75 are beauties.

GAYNOR & CO.,
35 PRESCOTT ST.

O'Donnell & Gilbride Co.
Merrimack, Palmer and Middle Streets.

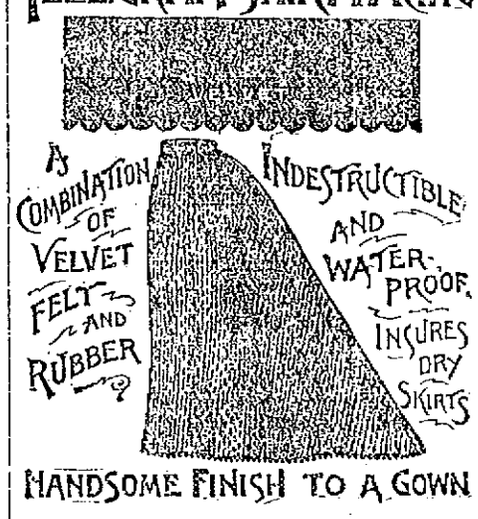
A Pre-Eminent Offering in
LADIES' READY-MADE SUITS
For Saturday Only

43 Sample Suits at 33 1-3 per cent. discount from regular prices.

ONE UNIFORM PRICE ON THE ENTIRE LOT.

The lot contains Cheviot and Serge Suits in blue, black, brown, green and garnet, Covert Suits in green and brown, Backing Cloth, with black satin folds, for trimming most all fly front styles, a few blouse and short coat styles, every suit was made to retail at $14.00, $15.00 and $16.00. We will offer the entire lot at one uniform price for Saturday only, $10.00.

Kleinerts
TELEGRAM SKIRT FACING



HANDSOME FINISH TO A GOWN

A special demonstration in the merits of the Telegram Binding will be given daily for the next week on our Trimming Department.

An Expert in Charge
Come in and See.

Three Extraordinary Bargains for Saturday Only in
Ladies' Petticoats

LOT 1.—15 dozen Heavy Black Italian Cloth Skirts, umbrella style, extra deep flounce, corded ruffle, lined with percale, made to our order to retail $3 each,
Saturday's Price $1.98 Each.

LOT 2.—10 dozen extra heavy Butler Moreen Skirts, made with deep flounce, an extrawidth, was made to our special order to retail $4.50,
Saturday's Price $2.98 Each.

LOT 3.—5 dozen extra quality Changeable Taffeta Silk Petticoats, umbrella style, corded flounce 12 inches deep, a regular $7.50 value,
Saturday's Price $4.98 Each.

S. T. FARRELL
GREAT
REMOVAL SALE
$8000 Worth of
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Furnishings

To be closed out before April 19th, at about 50 cents on the dollar. Great bargains in Wrappers, Waists, Dress Skirts, Hosiery, Underwear and Corsets, etc., etc.

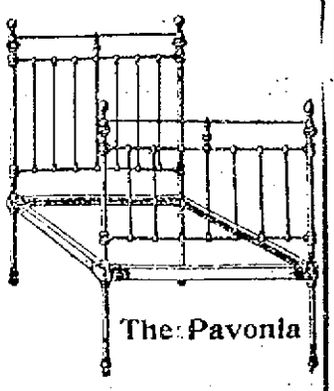
S. T. Farrell, 109 and 111 Central Street will occupy the Cassidy store, 110 and 112 Merrimack Street about the above date.

Getting Ready TO Clean House?
WE'LL HELP YOU!
Carpets at prices so low that it won't pay you to clean the old ones.

ONE WORD ABOUT
Mattings!

1 lot Seamless at 15c.
1 lot Seamless, extra heavy 20c.
1 lot Jap (Cotton Warp), 25c.
1 lot Jap (Cotton Warp), 45c.
500 Remnants Wool Carpet, 25c. yd.
Window Shades, com. to hang, 25c. ea.

THIS IRON BED,
Full mount, brass rail, all sizes. Others from $2.00 to $10. $4.50



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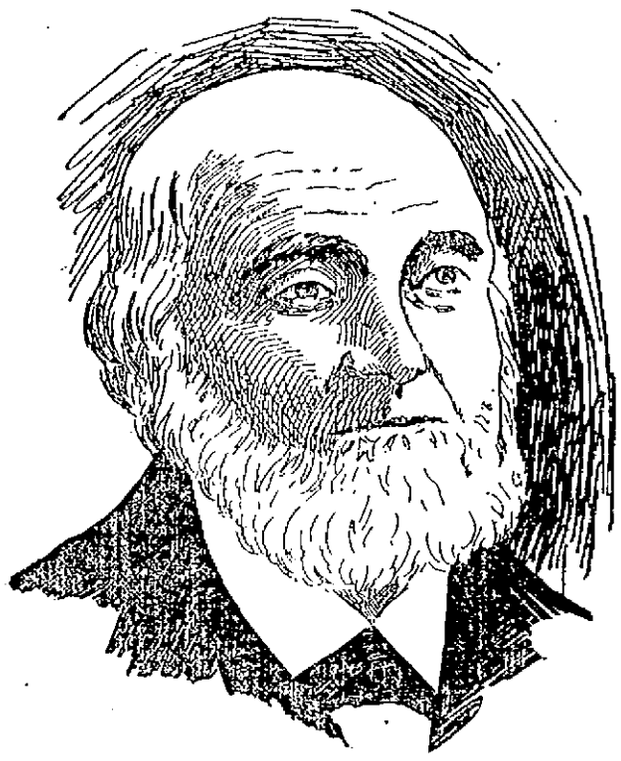

FATHER LOCKE of Chelsea, the Friend and Contemporary of Lincoln, Who Has Been Accorded the Privilege of Singing Patriotic Songs in the Schools and Relating Anecdotes of Lincoln.

OVER A THIRD WORKING

Daily Increase in the Number Working at New Bedford.

More Police Protection Wanted by the Mills—Pugilistic Battle at Bridgeport, Conn. — Session in Congressional House Very Dull.

New Bedford, Mass., April 15.—The striking operatives again gathered about the mill gates last night and greeted those who came from work with the usual shouts and jeers, but did nothing further. One man was arrested at the south end for disturbing the peace.

The treasurers had a conference with Mayor Ashley and Chief of Police Mason relative to better protection at the gates, but the mayor expressed the idea that no more could be done than is being done at present unless there is some outbreak. The mill men claim that 2170 operatives of the 9000 were at work in the nine corporations yesterday, which is double the number the strikers will concede.

MICHAEL CLARK

Died This Morning at His Late Home.

WAS A WELL KNOWN RESIDENT OF LOWELL.

Had Been Ailing for Some Time.

Michael Clark, a well known resident of this city, died early this morning at his home on Andover street, corner of Fort Hill avenue. Deceased has been ill for some time, but he was not confined to his home till recently. The news of his death caused sorrow among his numerous friends and acquaintances, who had the greatest esteem and respect for him. Mr. Clark was quite well known in public life, having served in the common council in this city and a few years ago he was one of the democratic nominees for alderman falling of election by a few votes. Since then he has taken no active part in politics.

He was 47 years old.

Deceased was taken ill last November and since then has been in declining health, although able to be out

MICHAEL CLARK.

nearly every day. His last service as a warden of the High street precinct of Ward 9 was at the city election.

Mr. Clark was born in Malone, N. Y., April 8, 1851. He came to Lowell in 1870 and learned the trade of carriage and sign painter. He went into business for himself but was taken ill and was unable to attend to his business. After two years he returned to his occupation and continued until ten years ago, when he became assistant superintendent of streets under Mr. Edward Cawley. After that he took charge of the street railway company's painting department. He was at his business as late as last Saturday, and although unable to work, supervised the painting.

May 10, 1881, he married Miss Margaretta Donovan, daughter of Major Matthew Donovan, who survives him, with five children, William Matthew, Ellen Louise, George, Paul, and Thomas. He leaves also two brothers, Hugh and Cornelius E., and his sisters are Sister Ann of the Sacred Heart, Waltham, Mrs. Ellen McCarron, Mrs. Anna J. Loughlin, Alice T., and Elizabeth C. Clark.

Mr. Clark was a member of the common council in 1883-4. He was formerly a member of the O-18-B., Y.M.C.I.A. and at the time of his death was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

The funeral will be held Monday from the church of the Immaculate Conception, the hour to be stated later. The family request that no flowers be sent.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH.

The annual parish meeting of All Saints' parish was held last evening. The meeting was opened with prayer by the rector, who presided. Reports of committees were received and a variety of business was transacted. The following officers were elected: Wardens, Alexander B. Paasche, S. Russell. Kitchen vestrymen, Alfred B. Paasche, Charles D. Clark, Charles Usher, Waldo Frank Putney, Johnson Kershaw, treasurer, Charles D. Clark; clerk, Alfred B. Paasche.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

At a meeting of the Branch street church last night the resignation of the pastor, Rev. O. E. Mallory, was accepted.

EXCEPTIONS FILED.

Yesterday, Jerome Manning filed exceptions in the case of Margaret and Lawrence Ford against Patrolmen Breen and Quinn.

HURDY-GURDY PARTY.

HELD AT THE ARMORY LAST EVENING BY MECHANICS PHALANX.

A delightful Hurdy-Gurdy party and Gatling gun drill were held at the Armory last evening by Company C, Mechanics' Phalanx at which 100 couples were present. The drill was given prior to the dance under the direction of Corporal Saundrs.

The officers of the affair were as follows General manager, Lieutenant Livingston; assistant, Private R. W. Hardy; secretary treasurer, Sergeant George L. Fowler, Jr.; floor director, Sergeant E. R. Delmage; assistant, Private R. B. Joslin; aids, Corporal O. S. Hahn, Corporal W. P. Berry, Private R. W. Clogston, Private H. C. Bellamy, Private W. E. Goodwin and Private M. E. Hardy.

Y.P.S.C.E. SOCIETY

At the semi-annual business meeting of the First Congregation YP.S.C.E. last evening in their vestry, the following officers were elected: President, Charles Osgood; vice president, Floy Cutler; recording secretary, Miss Hattie Drewett; corresponding secretary, Miss Nellie Wood; treasurer, Mr. R. Fulton.

THAT INFLUENCE

Which is Worked in Superior Court.

REMARKED UPON BY JUDGE HADLEY TODAY

And Other Cases in Police Court Today.

Fred L. Dam was in court again for drunkenness this morning and it was his third time. His record was read and the court learned for the first time that Dam, notwithstanding the fact that he has been in time and again, had rarely if at all, served a sentence imposed on him. For Dam's plan has been to appeal when sentenced and have matters fixed so that he would get off on probation when taken into the Superior Court, presumably by misrepresentation.

This morning Judge Hadley sentenced Dam to Bridgewater for 10 months and Fred immediately appealed where upon the court remarked: "And Dam, let me tell you that when your case come before the Superior Court, I shall have your entire record presented, from the time you were 14 years of age, if I have to take it there myself. Your friends and this court have done everything for you in the past, and it is time you were punished. I can't understand this mysterious influence brought to bear in the Superior Court by which you always succeed in avoiding sentence imposed on you. I want the court to be properly informed this time."

The Court's little speech took all the spunk out of Dam, who rotably rather than disclose the "mysterious influence" withdrew his appeal and took his sentence.

William Cogan, for assisting in the larceny of a sheep some time ago, was fined $15.

George Orr, an old offender, was in for stealing 25 cents worth of lead and he got three months in the workhouse.

Five drunks.

FUNERALS.

MILLIKEN—The funeral of Frank J. Milliken took place Wednesday at his late residence, 770 Shawmut avenue, Boston. Rev. Geo. E. Ferris of the Shawmut avenue church officiated. At the interment in the Lowell cemetery were present Thos. O. Allen, Jeremiah Crowley, Frank Calvert, D. Moody Prescott, Albert Pindar all comrades of the Old Sixth.

INGALLS—The funeral services of Wm. M. Ingalls were held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his late home in Coburn Place. Rev. G. M. Hall officiated. Interment was in the Edson cemetery. The bearers were Messrs. David True, Warren Johnson, B. S. Atkinson, and H. O. Brooks.

MARTEL—The funeral of Pierre Martel took place from St. Joseph's church Wednesday. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Fr. Nolin, O.M.I., and he was assisted by Rev. Fr. Cure and Rev. Fr. Sirois. The bearers were George Nichol, Donat Blaon, Frank Rousseau, Alfred Gaudette, and Albert Blazon. L'Association Catholique was represented at the funeral by T. J. Goyette, Napoleon Lozeau, A. J. B. Eno, W. Brantigan, J. H. Clement, Theo. Roch, Moise Cossette and A. Corneller. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Fine job printing done at this office.

ELKS' CLUB.

The Elks' club met last night and elected the following officers: President, George W. Patten; vice president, Percy Gulline; secretary, T. E. Boucher; treasurer, S. H. Harvey; director, J. J. Reagan, chairman, E. F. Stiles, James F. Gordon, and Dr. A. E. McCann.

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Which determines the amount of comfort to be derived from wearing the Bacon Shoe. The stock and other features of the shoe are such that even the foremost Lowell Shoe Dealers have personally conceded their superiority. But "THE LAST" is responsible for the great comfort which BACON shoe wearers enjoy. Plenty of toe room, among lots of other comforts, and withal an immensely dressy article of footwear.

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OLD POST OFFICE.

HUNTINGTON HALL

Plans of A. M. Burtt Accepted by Committee.

MAYOR AND SUPT. TRUE FAVOR STICKNEY'S PLAN.

Question for City Council to Decide.

There is a question for the city council to settle in the selection of plans for rebuilding Huntington hall. Mayor Bennett and Supt. True have approved plans presented by Stickney & Austin, and the committee on lands and buildings at yesterday's meeting made choice of plans prepared by A. M. Burtt. The council will now have to make a selection.

Mr. Burtt estimates the cost of rebuilding the halls, exclusive of seats, at between $16,000 and $20,000. His plan was accompanied by the following description:

"It is proposed to leave the stage in its present position, but to shorten its projection into the hall, at the same time widening the opening, the object of this being to give more width for less depth in order to accommodate large concerts, etc.; while for lectures the great depth of the present stage is useless.

"It is proposed to have a curtain which can be drawn up out of the way when not wanted. This curtain will not be the full width of the permanent opening. The opening, when the stage is to be used for theatricals, can be narrowed by side wings, so arranged as to seem a part of the opening. This arrangement will give room for flies at the sides.

"There will be no boxes, but dressing rooms on the floor and at gallery level, with toilet rooms at each side on first floor. The gallery is kept the same width in the rear, but is made double the present width at the side.

"A new entrance, about 10 feet wide, is made where the barber shop now is. This is necessary on account of the increased seating capacity of the hall. The other entrances are to be kept in their present positions.

"In the arrangement of the several rooms at the entrance of the hall, additional room is given to the committee room and the ladies' reception room. The Jackson hall stairs will remain in their present position, although more room is provided in the approach to the stairs."

The committee on public baths had an informal discussion last night.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss locations. The committee, as yet, have come to no decision in this matter, but Councilman Garvey says he favors the use of the old Mann school building.

The committee on sewers, the Mayor the city solicitor, and the city engineer, had a long conference with representatives of the manufacturing interests about Meadowcroft street yesterday afternoon, relative to the proposed sewer through the street. There are certain water rights in the way of wells involved. The matter was discussed at length.

The water board held a regular meeting last night, but the only business that was attended to was of a routine character aside from hearing three or four petitioners for abatements.

Councilman Garvey, who was instrumental in having the committee on public baths appointed, inasmuch as he introduced the order to provide public baths, said yesterday "I fear that nothing will be done in the matter because of the financial condition of the city. I would like very much to have some steps taken in the matter, for I believe there is great need of public baths in this city. Even if they would put up a bath house like the one at Willow Dale, that would be something worth having."

It is more than likely that the committee on investigation of the Health department will meet this evening to consider the text of the report that will be presented to the city council.

The ladies of the State Federation of Womens' clubs must have been well pleased with their visit to City Hall for one of them wrote the following on a pad of paper in the aldermen's chamber:

"A visitor from the State Federation of Women's club leaves many tributes of admiration for this beautiful building and the different departments, and the artistic arrangements of the rooms."

GEORGE D. HILLS DEAD.

George D. Hills, one of Lowell's most esteemed citizens, father of William D. Hills of the Traders' National bank, died this morning at his home, 222 Worthen street, aged 69 years, 8 months. Funeral services will be held at the Branch Street Tabernacle, Monday at 10 a. m. Friends are invited without further notice. The interment will be at Leominster, Mass.

THE ONION CLUB.

The Onion club launched its new boat "The Scullion," at Mascupic Lake yesterday Commodore Ed. Dunn in charge. Con. Collins performed the ceremony of breaking a bottle of mustard over her prow as she glided into the water as gracefully as an ice wagon. The club will have its first outing on Patriots' Day, weather permitting.

SONS OF VETERANS.

An adjourned meeting of the sons of veterans who are interested in Constable Flynn's National Reserve movement, will be held in Memorial hall, this evening.

MISS MEANS.

FOR PRINCIPAL OF ABBOTT ACADEMY AT ANDOVER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Andover, Mass., April 15.—Miss Emily A. Means, of Summit, N. J., formerly of Andover, has been elected to the principalship of Abbott Academy. Miss Means is a graduate of the institution and for many years was connected with its faculty as teacher of art.

Maltox will cure you in spite of yourself.

DEATH OF MR. HORN

One Of Lowell's Oldest Citizens.

WHO PASSED AWAY EARLY THIS MORNING.

A Sketch of His Business Career.

Samuel Horn, one of Lowell's oldest and best known citizens, died this morning at 1.30 o'clock at his home 98 Smith street, at the age of 91 years, 3 months and 15 days.

For some time past the old gentleman had been suffering from the infirmities of old age and recently contracted pneumonia, which soon made recovery impossible and early last evening his life was despaired of. The end came peacefully.

Mr. Samuel Horn was one of eight children born in Southboro, Mass., in 1806. He was descended from an old English family which early settled in that place. His father, Whidsor Horn, was born in the same place, Aug. 20, 1782, and died at Westford, June 13, 1862. His mother, Matilda Nichols, was born in Framingham, Dec. 11, 1781, and died at Westford, Jan. 25, 1837.

Mr. Horn's early life was passed on the farm in Southboro, attending the village school when opportunity offered between seasons. It was in this rugged honest country life that he learned the lessons of industry, perseverance, economy and fidelity in the performance of duty which laid the foundation of an honorable and prosperous business career. On coming to Lowell in December, 1828, he engaged in business as a shipper of soap tallow and candles and a dealer in hides in which he continued until 1856, when he retired with a competency.

His establishment was located on School street below Middlesex and is now the property of the Lowell Rendering company. The history of his business career in this city is an illustration and development of those elements of character, by which he commanded success. From small beginnings, he continued on industrious and persevering in the face of hardships and trials until by force of character and courageous self denial, he achieved a victory and established a very extensive business.

In politics Mr. Horn was a republican, serving as a member of the city government in 1839. In 1835 he was an attendant of the Orthodox church, but since then he has attended the Unitarian church. He was one of the founders of the Wamesit National bank in 1853 and of the Merrimack River Savings bank in 1871 and had been a director of the one and a trustee of the other ever since. He was an assistant engineer of the Lowell Fire department for many years. In 1835 he was united in marriage to Miss Hannah T. Harper of Sanbornton, N. H. He leaves three children, Emma J. Horn, Alfred S. Horn and Isabel P., wife of Francis A. Nichols, all of this city.

Last year he observed his 50th birthday, and at that time he appeared to be twenty years younger.

THE STATE POLICE

Were Called to New Bedford This Morning.

AUTHORITIES FEAR TROUBLE WITH STRIKERS.

Strike Leaders Say Mills are Losing.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New Bedford, April 15—Great trouble is feared here from the desperate friends of the strikers, for a riot seems imminent.

The crowds which gather at the mill gates and hiss and jeer the help who have returned to work as they pass in and out of the factories have grown demonstrative and unruly. There is nothing yet, like mob violence, but the temper of the strikers clearly grows more vindictive.

The police force of the city is not considered adequate to the situation and the aid of the state officers has been invoked. Forty-three men under the personal direction of Chief Wade, are to go on duty here today. All this week the local force of officers, special and regular have served extra hours, and are pretty well tired out.

The mill men still contend that a sufficient number of hands can be secured to operate the machinery, under a gaurantee of freedom from discomfort and attack from the strikers. The leaders of the strike as firmly declare that the attempt to run must inevitably result in failure and that the mills are making losses in the number of hands at work rather than accessions.

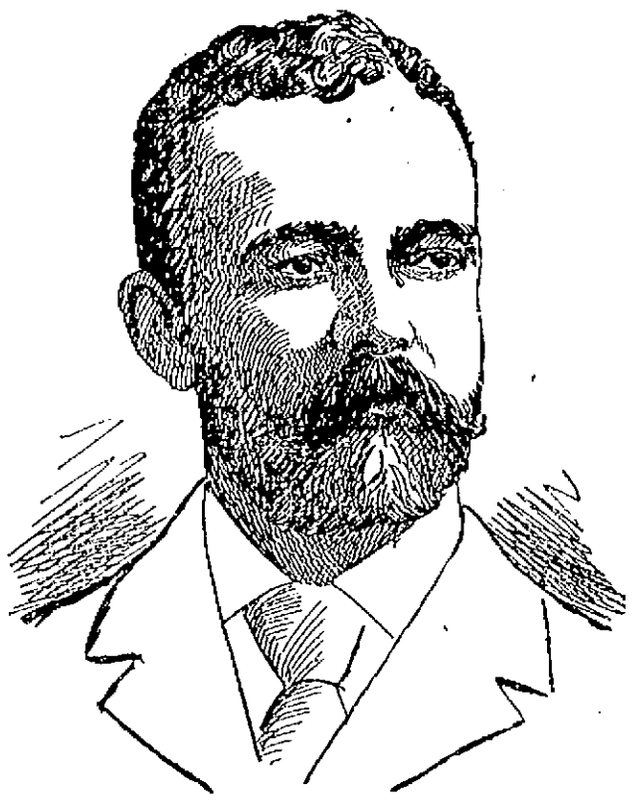
WOLCOTT'S ORDERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boston, April 15.—Governor Wolcott in response to a request from Mayor Ashley of New Bedford gave orders to Chief Wade of the district police this morning to assemble his officers and go to New Bedford for duty there. After receiving the instructions from the government, Chief Wade sent 12 officers to New Bedford on the 11.30 train Twenty-eight others will follow this afternoon, to be in readiness for service when the mills close tonight.

ATHLETIC CLUB DANCE.

The Pawtucketville Athletic club held its first grand social in Prescott hall About 200 couples attended. The cake walk was a feature and five couples were entered. Each received great applause, but the cake was awarded to Mr. Dominick Monahan and Miss Evelyn Dupont, a young couple of Montauk fame. The dance then followed and continued until midnight. The officers were: General manager, Omer Allard; assistant, Leon Sullivan; floor director, James J. Slavin; assistant, John J. Carroll.



U. S. SENATOR HENRY CABOT LODGE.

FROM LODGE'S SPEECH.

DELIVERED IN THE SENATE ON THE WAR ISSUES.

"I believe when we are face to face with a foreign power that there is one duty which overrides all others, higher than politics and higher than everything else and that is that the congress and the people and the executive of the United States should stand absolutely together."

"Spain is on her death bed, buried in debt, bleeding at every vein from the revolutions in her colonies, and her officers and officials rob her, dying as she is in the eyes of the world."

"If war must be, no nation ever went to war on higher grounds or from nobler or from more disinterested motives. War is here, if it is here, by the acts of Spain."

"We are told that we must not go to war on the narrow ground of revenge. No, not revenge, but we must have reparation for the Maine. We cannot as a nation belittle the case or refuse to demand a great and shining reparation for our dead sailors.

"If we allow that to drop aside, to pass away into an endless tangle of negotiation and law and discussion, we are lost to all sense of brotherhood; we are lost to all love of kith and kin; our uniform will no longer be an honor and protection; it will be a disgrace and danger to wear.

"Your men on your ships are sullen today, because they think that the government is not behind them. There are mutterings among the men who wear your uniform because they think you have not striven to redress the awful slaughter of their comrades. You must maintain the honor of the uniform and the flag under which the men died.

"Surely there never was a more righteous cause than this for any nation to ask for justice. That gigantic murder, the last spasm of a corrupt and dying sovereignty which carried down our ship and our men, cries aloud for justice."

"SCRAP OF PAPER."

DELIGHTFUL COMEDY BY HUMANE SOCIETY TALENT.

The home comedy given by the Lowell Humane society at the home of Mr. Joseph A. Nesmith and the Misses Nesmith, corner of Andover and Nesmith streets, last evening, was a success in every sense of the word. The audience was so delighted with it that they requested a repetition of it tonight.

"A Scrap of Paper," the familiar comedy, was given with the following cast of characters:

Prosper Couramont .....Mr. Pearson
Baron de la Glaciere .....Mr. Coburn
Brisemouche .....Mr. Hobbs
Anatole .....Mr. McBrayne
Madame Dupont..... Miss Livingston
Francois .....Mr. Young
Baptiste ..... Mr. Spalding
Louise de la Glaciere .....Miss Ames
M'lle Suzanne de Russeville, Miss Robinson
Mathilda .....Miss Hildreth Nesmith
Pauline .....Miss Shedd

The performers have been under the competent coaching of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Palmer for a few weeks past and the proficiency with which the different parts were taken reflects credit upon all concerned.

Mrs. George Richardson and Miss M. Nesmith has charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. A. L. Pindar and Miss F. Francis had charge of the refreshments.

Miss Andrews presided at the piano and captivated the audience with the proficiency of her accomplishment.

John Graham and Arthur Hassett, who have been spending their Easter vacation in this city, will return to Holy Cross College next Monday, to resume their studies.

John J. Murphy, son of ex-Representative Daniel J. Murphy of Broadway, has returned to St. Anselms' College, Manchester, N. H.

The people of St. Michael's parish will conduct a Patriots' Party in Prescott hall next Tuesday evening. A diamond ring will be presented to the fortunate ticket holder.

Gas pipes laid in Middlesex street, near the railroad station, have been found to be eaten into by electrolysis.

LINCOLN CLUB.

The Lincoln republican club held a whist party in Wyman's Exchange last night, and prizes were won by Messrs. Gemmel and Raymond. The winners of the booby prizes were Messrs. Ferris and Boyle.

CITY OF LOWELL.

No. 72 A April 15, 1898.

Notice is hereby given under Section 6, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, that James F. Smith, William J. Dunn, Smith & Dunn, have applied for a license to sell intoxicating liquors of the first class as common victualler, at No. 350-352 Market street, in two rooms on first floor and cellar.

By order of the Board of Police.

JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

CITY OF LOWELL.

No. 72 B April 15, 1898.

Notice is hereby given under Section 6, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, that James F. Smith, William J. Dunn, Smith & Dunn, have applied for a license to sell intoxicating liquors of the fourth class as retail dealer, at No. 350-352 Market street, in two rooms on first floor and cellar.

By order of the Board of Police.

JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
MIDDLESEX, ss.
PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of James McGlinchy, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate by Mary Jane McGlinchy, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix, therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said county of Middlesex, on the twenty-sixth day of April, A. D. 1898, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

S. U. FOLSOM, Register.

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Also the grandest line of Dress Trimmings in gimps, braids, ribbons, velvets and everything at about half what others ask.

If you want a spring Hat don't throw your money away paying fancy prices. We can save you dollars on fine Hats, also on shapes and flowers. Untrimmed shapes from 15c. to any price you want to pay.

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See The Point?

The cutting of the Havana cable seems to be another Spanish act of hostility towards this country.

It is now admitted that the causes for delay in the President's message were not correctly stated to the country.

Spain is fortifying her islands in the Mediterranean. She must think the Flying Squadron is likely to pay them a visit.

Lawrence is now to suffer from curtailment of production, as well as from reduction of wages in the shutdown of the Pacific mills.

No democrat so far has objected to J. F. Owens, Esq., as registrar of voters and no republican can say that he is not well qualified for the place, both by training and experience.

It is rather remarkable that the pension roll has vastly increased since 1890. It would appear that the number of veterans who fought in the late war was far greater than the government had any conception of.

That was a good suggestion made by Mayor Bennett that the Grand Army commanders organize a movement to erect a monument to General Butler. The late general deserves a monument from the city and the state which he honored by his busy and useful life.

Principal Assessor Pratt gave a very sensible view of the assessors' duties and of the duties of the city authorities regarding that department. He is right in saying that because another city pays less is no reason why Lowell should pay less. To the fact that the mill owners are not residents is due a large part of the trouble with our mill corporations on the tax question.

General Lee is admired by every true American for his courage and patriotism as displayed in the discharge of his duties at Havana. He is now ready to lead a military body against Havana and certainly from his bravery no man is better qualified for the task. He protected Americans; he arranged for the relief of the reconcentrados and in the most trying circumstances, he proved himself a brave man.

The politicians and the lobbyists may laugh at Representative Bennett's tearful "flop" in the House on Wednesday, but when he turned the scheme which he opposed a piece of thievery he put it about right. Bennett, with all his shortcomings must be given the credit of honesty in his convictions of right and of being the foe of jobs and jobbery. He roasted our alphabetic Mr. Hayes when he said that the latter always voted as a certain lobbyist desired. Bennett's honesty is recognized on all sides, but he might have managed to control his feelings somewhat better than by giving way to tears. Whenever an honest man stands out against roguery, he will, as a rule, be stigmatized as a knave by the very men whose crookedness he opposes.

WATER RATES TOO HIGH.

The water board got out of its investigation very easily. The committee did not dig very deeply into the affairs of the board. Colonel Dimon is well acquainted with the workings of the department and could lay his finger upon anything wrong if he undertook to go back sufficiently for it. Of course his report upon the present condition of the Board is accepted as correct and the recommendation that the department should be somewhat more under the control of the city council is a good one.

That touches the very foundation of the extravagance and mismanagement of the water department. That is how such large sums were foolishly spent upon schemes which proved impracticable and useless, and it explains why at the present time the water rates assessed on house owners where meters are not put in are too high.

It would appear that the rates were placed high purposely in order to coerce as many as possible to put in meters. It is wrong, it is an abuse of the public at large that should not be tolerated. The rates are too high. They should be reduced at once to what is just and reasonable. It is to be regretted that the investigating committee did not look into this matter, which concerns everybody in the city.

WHY WAR WITH SPAIN?

It is alleged that the newspapers or some of them are too loudly shouting for war. There may be papers as there undoubtedly are, that go too far in this direction, but The Sun is not in this category, as we favor war only when it cannot honorably be avoided. We may add also, that we do not favor the proposed armed intervention in Cuba which will involve the supplanting of Spanish sway in the island and the establishment of a popular government for the Cubans. It will prove a serious and an expensive task.

It is undertaken on humanitarian grounds, but if this country would relieve all the suffering within its own boundaries, it would find but little time to go outside on missions of mercy. We do not object to the motive, but to making that motive the cause for war. The destruction of the Maine is sufficient cause for war and in making that the cause of war with Spain, a vast amount of danger would be avoided while the aim of intervention would be indirectly attained.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Globe—"Spain stands convicted the following: "Spain stands convicted today of an awful deed, not on the testimony of eye witnesses, to be sure, but men are hanged, even in Massachusetts on presumptive evidence far less complete than that which lies upon her the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine and the massacre of its crew. That she alone among the nations of christendom has the desperation required for the perpetration of such a crime her long record of unrepented treachery and cruelty attests; that her officials at Havana viewed her coming with angry resentment their protests declare, and that the opportunity to plant and explode a submarine mine in that harbor was exclusively hers is a fact established before the world."

According to The Advertiser, "the Spanish tendency has been seen plainly enough in the policy of Spain in Cuba. After the 10-years' war in that unhappy island, the Spanish government promised to bring about certain reforms. The promise was not kept. Years passed by and the delay was so long-continued that the promise was practically forgotten. Things grew worse and worse until finally it became plain to a great body of the Cubans that the only way to secure any reform whatever was to win it at the point of the sword. If Spain had made a determined and resolute effort, the rebellion could have been crushed out at its beginning; but the policy of the Spanish war office was marked by the same devotion to the national motto 'tomorrow.'"

The Post has it that "when congress has spoken there will be presented to Spain the last chance that that government will have to extricate itself from the Cuban tangle. It will have a chance to let Cuba go in peace and to receive a very tidy sum of purchase money in compensation; or it can fight to keep Cuba, and pay roundly in the shape of a war indemnity after that island has been taken away and made free."

In scoring those Americans who have no faith in a republican form of government, The Journal says: "They put the interest of the few above the instinct and the set purpose of the multitude. When their pockets are touched or their opinions are slighted, every theory of government which they avow tends straight to absolute monarchy. They condemn and deride the popular will when expressed by the only means which the constitution provides. They denounce the congress of the United States as unworthy of respect and unfit to carry out the affairs of the country. They long for an autocratic power, isolated from the great body of the people and open only to the influence of the select. These are the things which mark the changes from republicanism to absolutism."

COMMUNICATION.

BLUNDER OR MYSTIFICATION OF FRENCH VOTERS.

Mr. Editor: It was with a great deal of surprise that I read a statement that appeared in the Citizen and L'Etoile yesterday, saying that the name of Dr. L. V. Rochette had been presented for city physician. When you will learn that Dr. Rochette is not a citizen of the United States and that he does not speak the English language you will agree with me that for a man who pretends to be endowed with so much business qualities as Mayor Bennett, for him to present such a candidate for the position of city physician is either a blunder or a mystification of the French citizens.

Furthermore, I question the sincerity of Mayor Bennett when he first presented the name of another French physician. I think that anyone familiar with the working of political caucus will agree with me that before the name of Dr. Mignault or any other was presented, the Mayor ought, if he had really wanted to appoint a French-American citizen to that position, to have made sure of his confirmation. To me it looks like an old trick and when next election comes he will lay the blame on the democrats and claim the support of the French vote, on having done his duty in presenting a candidate of their element, but this is too thin. It will not take and it will be another lesson to the French people who will not in the future swallow all the promises of the political grabber.

If Mayor Bennett is in earnest let him make sure of the election of a candidate and choose a man having the necessary requisites and before all, a citizen of the United States, and then it will not look like blunder or mystification.

Ward Seven.

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THE ARENA OF POLITICS

THE BEAUTY OF A BOND.

How Long Are the Laboring Men Going to Stand This Sort of Business?

It would seem that the St. James Gazette has let a bird fly. It is not often that an organ of the goldite empire is caught off guard. When such a phenomenal thing occurs, one is led to believe that the organ on the night before has had too much wine. That the St. James Gazette could so forget itself makes us astonished.

The occasion of the extraordinary break referred to is the recent assignment to Great Britain of the exclusive privilege of taking the Chinese loan without competition. The British government has been unusually anxious to get this loan "in the interests of trade." The St. James Gazette, doubtless in the state of mind indicated above, divulges the scheme as follows:

Let us suppose, in the first instance, that the rate agreed upon is 5 per cent. This would not be exorbitant when the ordinary rates of interest in China are taken into consideration. Our procedure would be simple. The Bank of England would invite tenders for £14,500,000 consols at 2½ per cent, redeemable in 25 years from the date of issue. The length of the term offered would insure a premium of at least 5 per cent. Taking the price, then, at £105, we should obtain the sum of £15,225,000. The deficiency of £725,000 is insignificant and could be made good by any one of half a dozen obvious expedients. Under this arrangement we should be borrowing £14,500,000 at 2½ per cent and lending £20,000,000 at 5 per cent. The difference between the interest we should disburse (£362,500) and the interest we should receive (£1,000,000) would be £637,500. If this sum were invested every year for 25 years at compound interest, it would produce at the end of that term £13,625,000. But the chief matter remains to be stated. When we had got all our money back, China would still remain indebted to us to the full amount of the original advance, £20,000,000. This outstanding liability could, at the choice of the Peking government, either be liquidated in cash or released in exchange for such fixed or other concessions as might seem equitable to both parties.

Let us explain the beauty of this business. The poor laborers of China will be obliged for 25 years to pay to Great Britain, in interest only, $4,000,000 annually without reducing the debt by a single farthing. That is beautiful to begin with. The $4,000,000 will be taken by the English bondholders and loaned to the British laboring men, who will pay another $4,000,000 a year for the privilege of having money enough to buy their groceries. At the end of the 25 year period China will still owe the British bondholders the $80,000,000 just the same. That is the essential beauty of it. Eight millions a year laid upon the laboring men of China and Great Britain for 25 years. Two hundred millions of interest in all, and then $80,000,000 of principal just as good as at the start. I have not seen a better example than this of the splendid workings of the international bond system. The only question is how long the laboring men of the world are going to stand this sort of business. But then the St. James Gazette ought never to have given the thing away!—Arena For April.

Why "Control" Fails.

The immense overcapitalization of railroads and the charging of rates to make interest and dividends on these fictitious values are an imposition and injustice of which there has long been reason to complain, but never until the recent decision of the Nebraska maximum freight rate case has this fictitious capitalization been fully legalized and given unlimited scope as a method of robbery.

The Nebraska law would have made a small reduction in freight rates and the change would have affected the income of the roads to only a slight extent, yet the supreme court says that a law which interferes with the payment of interest and dividends is unconstitutional.

The fact that the payments of interest and dividends were on greatly inflated issues was not permitted to figure in the case.

The decision completely ignores the whole question of overcapitalization and opens the way whereby any attempt to regulate railroad rates must prove a failure.

Under that interpretation nothing could be more absurd than to attempt the exercise of any control by legislative action.—Chicago Express.

Harlan's "Persons" Fail to Materialize.

Governor Leedy of Kansas is a true American, and his patriotic zeal is shown in a call issued for Kansans to enlist under his banner for a war with Spain. The governor says:

"I have received scores of volunteer applications from farmers and merchants and mechanics all over the state, but so far I have not received a notice from one corporation that it is ready to give its services to the country.

"Justice Harlan stated recently that corporations were persons, just like you and me and the rest of the people in these United States, and had the same rights as natural born citizens. If this is so, why don't they come forward, like the natural born citizens, and offer their services for the defense of their country. It is my ambition to command a company of this kind in the event of war with Spain, and I shall feel hurt if those 'persons' fail to respond and leave me unable to accomplish my ambition."

We Don't Need Help.

The United States needs no help from England. New York, Boston, Washington and some of the other English warts on the face of American civilization may need English help, but Americans who have made America and in whose breasts the fires of patriotism burn, are strong enough and resourceful enough to whip any invading fool that dares to question the right of Americans to run the western hemisphere. We don't need any British gold or British gunpowder to do it, either. The spirit that fought the battles of 1776 stalks abroad in the land, and it is a sentiment that does not doff its hat to a gang of money mongers down in New York who, for a chance to save their Cuban investments, would see the navy of the nation in the bottom of the ocean.—Denver Road.

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THE SUN LATEST! 6 O'CLOCK.

PLANTED HAVANA MINES

Chas. A. Crandell, Alias Emaneul Escadaro Whom Weyler Employed.

Now Under Arrest and Admits Having Mined Havana Harbor—The Maine was Moored Over a Mine and Only Spanish Officials Could Explode Any of the Mines.

Chicago, April 15.—Charles A. Crandall, alias Emanuel Escadaro, who, acting under the express orders of Captain General Weyler during his military reign on the island of Cuba, is said to have planted the mines and torpedoes in the harbor of Havana, has at last been run to earth. He is in the custody of secret service agents, who will escort him to Washington, where he will give information of such a nature that will prove beyond possible peradventure that the Maine was blown up by a mine and her 258 officers and crew sent to their doom by agencies known to the Spanish and by design.

He said to his captors: "When the Maine was blown up I remained in hiding with a colored family near Fort Taylor, or the barracks, and as soon as I received word to skip out I took stowaway passage on the first steamer for Miami. The Maine was anchored at the identical buoy that General Weyler ordered me to place the additional mine, officially known as buoy No. 6. These mines were anchored by cable and chain. There were two sets, one that could be fired independently, that is the chain at the mouth of the harbor, and the others in the interior circle."

Crandall further says:

"From Miami I went to Nashville, Tenn., where I received the following letter from Havana, March 1, 1898:

"'Destroy all evidence. Go to New York; ticket for London awaits you there. Signed, —Diaz.'

"This was from Weyler's most trusted adjutant and spy, who executes all of the edicts issued by Weyler from Spain.

"I did not go to New York, but went to St. Louis and from there came to Chicago. I was in hopes that there would be war, so that I might be on hand to play an active part and use the mines and torpedoes against the Spanish boats.

"The mines and torpedoes can be fired either from Morro Castle, Cabanas, or the navy yard, and it would have been impossible for any one other than a Spanish officer to have fired them, and no one but Weyler and his adjutants knew where they were or where the firing galleries were located."

Crandall avers that he was directed to assume the name of Escadaro by General Weyler.

He has several letters from Weyler regarding his work and a general military pass from that officer permitting him and five others to work unmolested and to use any of the boats of the navy at any hour or time he may apply for one. All of these he has turned over to the agents and they will be used at Washington. No blame can be attached to Crandall for his work, and he was sought for merely to furnish conclusive proof that there was a mine where the Maine was anchored.

Confirmation of the story is difficult. High Wood, where the arrest is described as having taken place, is a little hamlet near Fort Sheridan. No such person as Crandall is remembered there. The Baltimore & Ohio officials in Chicago say that they have no knowledge of Crandall and his captors going east from Chicago over the B. & O. Captain Porter, who is in charge of the Federal Section service matters in Chicago said he had no knowledge of such an arrest and did not believe it had taken place.

PATRIOTISM HOT IN SPAIN

Over the Queen's Gift of a Million Pesetas to Navy Fund.

Great Enthusiasm Aroused Among the Masses—Populo Romano Says European Intervention will Take the Form of a Naval Demonstration.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Havana, April 14.—Havana is quiet. Consul General Lee's declarations are still commented upon and the press keeps attacking him.

Prominent people think that in view of the strong and energetic attitude of Spain, it is improbable that the United States will declare war, the American success being doubtful. Yesterday was marked by a general paralysis of business and there was little movement in the streets, but this was due chiefly to the weather. In the early evening the skies cleared, the temperature became cooler and a few people gathered in the Plaza D'Armes and Central Park.

WEYLER NOT COMING.

Rumors that Lieut. General Weyler is coming to Havana are unfounded. Tonight a report is again circulated as to a crisis in the Sagasta cabinet, but New York parties, more likely to be correctly informed, say the report is false.

QUEEN EULOGIZED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 15.—Great enthusiasm has been aroused here by the fact that the Queen Regent has headed the national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish navy by giving one million pesetas toward the fund.

The Imparcial (Independent) commenting upon Her Majesty's action today, says: "Until yesterday people only saw in the august lady a virtuous queen; but since yesterday she has been known to be also a Spanish queen. Her gift of one million pesetas gains her millions of blessings." Referring to the political situation, the Imparcial remarks: "Senor Sagasta's government loudly struck the Spanish note yesterday, the result being a reunion of the government and the people. Today we are all Spaniards; we forget party lines and we are united around the state."

CARLISTS CONDEMNED.

The Globo (Liberal) this morning severely censures the Carlist manifesto, saying it considers it not patriotic, but revolutionary, and adding: "The government requires no spur to calmly defend the rights of the nation. It will not strike first, but it will return a blow."

POWERS MAY INTERFERE.

By Associated Press to The Sun

Rome, April 15.—The Populo Romano today says it understands that the powers of Europe will intervene between the United States and Spain in favor of the latter country and it adds that according to information gathered in well-informed quarters, the intervention will take the form of a naval demonstration in which all the powers will participate.

U. S. CONSULATE THREATENED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Barcelona, April 15.—Last evening, as the crowd was coming from the bull fight organized in favor of a national subscription for the navy, they took flags through the streets to the American consulate where they remained for several hours, whistling and shouting. The consul looked down from the window. The governor exerted himself to induce them to disperse. The press is unanimous in condemning the provocative attitude of the Spanish functionaries in the crowd.

TO TEST PUBLIC SENTIMENT

The Spanish Cabinet Will Await the Decision of Its Parliament.

Members Notified of a Change in Time of Assembling—Efforts to Secure Intervention of European Powers — The Resolution for War Before Congress Today—Gen. Miles Says President Can Raise All the Troops Needed.

Madrid, April 15.—At the cabinet council Thursday afternoon under the presidency of the queen regent it was decided to hasten the reopening of the Spanish parliament. The date for the assembling of the cortes was April 25, but parliament will now be summoned to meet on Wednesday next, April 20. The queen regent signed the decree calling for a national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish fleet.

Premier Sagasta made a statement on the subject of the recent developments of the Cuban situation as affected by events in Washington. He declared the situation was very serious and, while pointing out that "the debates in congress have no legal value," he deemed it advisable to expedite the reopening of the cortes "in order to allow national opinion and its representatives to declare the will of the people, and to enable the government to act in accord with the nation."

After the council the ministers reassembled at the ministry for foreign affairs and there discussed the question of sending a note to the great powers communicating the decisions arrived at and explaining the situation from the Spanish standpoint.

SENOR SAGASTA.

It is said that Spain's appeal will recite her grievances against the United States, stating in detail the many concessions she has made and pointing out that it was in response to the urgent representation of the powers that the last concession of an armistice was granted. If the powers determine to act, their influence will probably be particularly directed toward inducing the United States to grant Spain sufficient time within which to try the armistice recently proclaimed. During the recent action of the powers, their main influence was exerted here, the only action at Washington being the courteous expression of hope for peace; but the present movement contemplates that the influence shall be exerted in Washington, as it is the common belief in Madrid that the authorities have reached the limit of concessions and should now be given adequate time to try what they and the powers have offered as a means of restoring peace in Cuba.

The watchword in official circles is to remain on the defensive, firmly awaiting the development of President McKinley's action and the advance of American diplomacy. All sensible and far-sighted statesmen in Spain understand perfectly that the declarations of their own government and of President McKinley do not by any means make impossible a peaceful and conciliatory solution if circumstances permit. Besides they fancy that the European powers, particularly Austria, France and Russia, may yet have something to say and do amicably to check President McKinley when once he has entire control of the negotiations and the developments of the American policy in his own hands. In this strain of consideration the Spanish court and members of the cabinet do not despair or share the pessimistic impressions prevalent in the press and in political circles.

A cabinet minister who was interviewed said: "The true climax is approaching, but Spain is calm. She has done everything to avert war, and is now confident in her right and in the justice of her cause. She is ready to defend her soil and honor. When the American government communicates its decisions, Spain will stand ready to meet all eventualities."

The groups forming the majority in parliament will meet next Tuesday. Sagasta, the premier, will confer with the leaders of the minority, explain to them the reasons for hastening the assembling of the cortes and arrange with them to constitute the new chamber as rapidly as possible in the hope of being able to begin public business by the 23rd.

MURKINESS OF THE SKY.

Madrid, April 15.—The feeling in Madrid is stronger than ever. All parties are uniting against the government, and there are sinister references to the "Austrian," which mean that the queen regent, who has never been popular in Madrid, is rapidly falling into increased disfavor. The feeling against her majesty is evaporated by the quotations from the English and French papers of the suggestions of Emperor Francis Joseph relinquishing Cuba.

In addition to those arrested for the demonstrations, warrants are out for a number of prominent Carlists and notorious revolutionists. It is evident that all the animosity of the crowd is directed against the government, and not against the United States.

A letter just received from the Philippine Islands says that all the troops which were embarking for Spain at the time the communication was mailed were marched hurriedly to various towns in the interior, where the rebellion against Spanish rule has been renewed. It is added that over 20,000 well armed men are now in the field. There have been several engagements, and several Spanish priests have been massacred. Nobody appears to know how the Philippine insurgents, who had been disarmed, according to general report, were rearmed; but the belief prevails that Japan had a hand in the matter. The captain general of the Philippine islands, it is further alleged, has been concealing the facts in the case from the government.

WEYLER THEIR HOPE.

Madrid, April 15.—The feature of the opposition press is the endeavor to bring General Weyler to the front and make him the champion of the cause of revolution, under the guise of a saviour of the national honor. The general undoubtedly has numerous followers, and even the newspapers which, ever since his return from Cuba, have violently denounced him, are now lauding the former captain general of Cuba as the one man who can save the situation.

The Pais, under large headlines, reading "Great Treason—Spain is Sold," says: "It is in the atmosphere one breathes. It is on all lips. It is sticking in our throats and palpitating in our hearts. When ready to fight, we have been vilely sold. Yesterday we were men; today we are women; but the country will avenge the treason." Then The Pais turns to General Weyler, after having been unfriendly to him for a long time, and exclaims: "General Weyler is not alone in appreciating the present dishonor. He is backed by numerous Republicans, patriotic Carlists, the Robledo conservatives, which party is composed of many senators and deputies and the representatives of the provinces; all the loyal Spaniards in Cuba, with the volunteers, the leaders of the army, who blush under the stigma of the armistice, and he will have the support of the masses, who are only waiting for a guide and leader. General Weyler is not alone. No general and no political personage has more followers today than he has. May General Weyler not disappoint the hopes of so many patriots."

The military press is divided in opinion on the subject. The Courier thanks the ministry "with a contemptuous kick," adding: "Our pen falls from our hand as we contemplate the cowardice on one side and the villiany on the other. It is impossible to write of it seriously. We must be governed by the hermaphrodites of Athens, and must hide the tear which runs down the cheek while the lips curl in supreme sarcasm. We laugh while our teeth clinch, the bile turns in our stomach, anger heats our blood, and our hands instinctively seek an avenging weapon."

REGENT WOULD ABDICATE.

Madrid, April 15.—The Madrid correspondent of The Morning Post, telegraphing by way of Biarritz, says: "The queen regent has informed the members of her court that it is her intention to abdicate immediately if the cabinet takes any steps derogatory to Spain's honor and dignity."

ONLY TALK.

Washington, April 15.—Thursday began in the senate with the usual assembling of enormous crowds and with a large attendance on the floor. The routine business was transacted with evident impatience, and Senator Davis sought the first opportunity to move that the senate proceeded to the consideration of the intervention resolution. The motion having been adopted, Senator Hoar sought recognition, but Senator Turner of Washington, a young, black-mustached statesman from the west, whose income from his gold mines reaches a million a year, secured the floor.

Mr. Turner spoke without notes, and with great deliberation. He made a bitter attack upon the president for pursuing "a weak and puerile course, full of evasion and equivocation and having for its object the blinding of the American people and the muzzling of the American congress." He charged that the Maine report was held back at the suggestion of the president, in order that the delay might be utilized in further dickering and dealing with Spain. Congress has been cajoled with iridescent and evanescent promises that have not yet been made good. European capitalists have chuckled at our delay and indefinite policy, and the pope declares to the queen regent that "the president has been placed in a position where it is difficult for him to decide what course to pursue."

Senator Hoar could not join in the criticism of the president, who, he emphasized, represented the American people. "I approve what he has done and said," continued Mr. Hoar, "and what he has not said and done. I like his holding back for a peaceful solution so long as there was a thought that peace could be had with honor. Do you think, when you criticise this brave American soldier's love of peace, what war is and who suffer by it? The persons who

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POWERS REFUSE

Great Britain Refuses to Act Against This Country.

AUSTRIA WAS PUSHING THE NAVAL DEMONSTRATION.

The Powers Will Not Prevent War.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 15.—American ambassadors say the efforts toward a naval demonstration could not succeed, Great Britain having refused to join in such a move. The British foreign office does not believe the powers will make a naval demonstration.

A special despatch from Rome, referring to the rumors of a proposition to make an international naval demonstration off the island of Cuba, save Austria is taking the lead in the matter but it is understood that Great Britain and Germany are not favorable to the suggestion. The Spanish ambassador made a long visit to the British foreign office today and later the Austrian ambassador called.

TWO SHOCKS FELT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

San Francisco, Cal., April 15.—Two slight shocks of earthquake were felt here last night, the first at 10.43, and the second at 11.07. The vibration here was not strong enough to cause damage, and none has been so far reported. The shock was felt in a number of small towns in this state and are said to have been most severe at Porta Costa.

BODIES RECOVERED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Vancouver, B. C., April 15.—The steamer Packsham which arrived here yesterday from Dyea, reports that the search for bodies in the Chilkoot Pass has been concluded. Sixty-two bodies had been taken out altogether.

STRUCK BY TREE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

St. Louis, Mo., April 15.—Henry W. Hickman, ex-state railroad commissioner and a prominent democrat, was killed yesterday near Parico, Stoddard county, while driving, by a tree falling upon him.

Another man who was in the buggy with Mr. Hickman, received injuries from the effects of which he died.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

There will be a meeting of Lowell Council, Knights of Columbus, this evening, to take some action upon the death of their late lamented brother, Michael F. Clark.

Fine job printing done at this office.

BRYAN ARRIVES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, April 15.—Wm. J. Bryan arrived here today from Washington and left at 9 a. m. for New Haven, Ct., where he is to deliver an address.

AN ALLEGED SHORTAGE.

Athol, Mass., April 15.—Much interest is aroused in Petersham over the absence of ex-Town Treasurer C. H. Glasheen. Glasheen had been treasurer two years. He failed to be re-elected, and about 10 days ago, when he was expected to turn his books over to his successor, he left town, as he claimed, on a business trip. Nothing has since been heard from him by the selectmen, who suspected something was wrong. Their suspicion was increased by the arrival of Postoffice Inspector W. B. Snow to look over the accounts of the office where Glasheen is postmaster. The selectmen opened the safe, and an examination of the books shows an alleged shortage of $1200. It is also alleged that the accounts of the postoffice are badly mixed.

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WEAVERS MEETING.

The Weavers' Protective union held its weekly meeting last night. The report of last week's convention was accepted as read. It was voted that a corps of additional mill collectors be appointed consisting of 10 from each of the large corporations, making about 70, independent of the four outside collectors. After the business meeting a social dance was enjoyed.

The Homeric lecture by Prof. Iatros at Mrs. Dickinson's residence yesterday afternoon, was well attended.

Next Friday night, the Pawtucketville Athletic club basket ball team will go to Nashua and play a military team at the armory in that city.

Sam Orr says that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. They can't imitate the tone of our Jacob Doll Pianos.

The North Billerica Homing club will hold a bird fly Patriots' Day.

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CALL FOR TROOPS

It May Come up Within a Few Days.

IT WILL BE FOR FIFTY THOUSAND MEN.

Elephants Offered for the Service.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 15.—The question of how many of the militia of the several states shall be recalled into service for active duty when a call is decided upon, is engaging the attention of the President and the officials of the war department. The opinion was expressed by one of the latter today that when an order is issued concentrating the army at some of the southern points, the President will call for 50,000 of the militiamen. Some officials believe the call will come tomorrow or the day after. Secretary Alger was quoted as saying to some persons today that if Congress directed the President to use the land and naval forces in the case of war, in connection with the question of Cuba, a call by the President for 50,000 volunteers (militiamen) would be made within fourty-eight hours thereafter.

Orders have been issued directing General Merritt commanding the departments of the East and General Gorham commanding the department to hurry work on the artillery posts under their jurisdiction. The department today received word from a circus company that in the event of war 25 elephants would be put at its disposal for active service Cuba. Some of these animals have served in India and the swamps in Cuba would not interfere with their utility.

OFFICERS TRANSFERRED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

San Francisco, April 15.—Officers of the revenue marine service received orders detaching them from their vessels and were assigned to the navy. They are now under orders of the navy department.

WOLCOTT'S MESSAGE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boston, Mass., April 15.—Governor Wolcott has decided to send a message to the legislature this afternoon recommending an emergency appropriation of $500,000 to increase the efficiency of the state militia.

SPEEDY ACTION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boston, April 15—Governor Wolcott sent a message to the legislature this afternoon recommending an emergency appropriation of $500,000 to increase the efficiency of the state militia. A bill was promptly framed embodying the recommendations of the governor and was referred to the proper committees and reported back and under suspension of the rules passed both the branches and became a law. It required only twenty-four hours to transact this legislation. The governor later signed the bill.

WAR MATERIAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, April 15.—The Welsen line steamer Arengo, which arrived this morning from Newcastle, brought 250 tons of war material for the United States government, recently purchased in England.

DEATHS.

ROBERTS—Martha D. Roberts died last evening at about 9.30 o'clock at her home in Tewksbury, aged 58 years. She leaves two sisters, Miss Frances E. Roberts and Mrs. Edwin Lovejoy of and one brother, Alpheus W. Roberts of Greenville, Me. The funeral will take place at her late home Monday next, April 18, at 2 p. m. Friends are invited to be present.

POLICE COURT.

The case of Herbert F. Sponholtz and Louis Desbien, who were arrested for an assault on James Scully during which the latter was badly cut in the face with a bottle, was continued. There seems to be a third party in the row and he will be brought in if he can be found.

Two bright little fellows named Lemieux, who live in Chelmsford, were charged with larceny of two hens from a Mr. Frazer. The only evidence against them was that Frazer had lost two hens and the Lemieux boys had been seen with two which they admitted to other boys to have sold. Frazer knew his hens, and he knew the Lemieux boys must have taken them, because young Tremblay said the hens were like the ones missed. The judge commanded that the hens be put on the stand for identification. Mr. Frazer looked at them and said they were not hens. The hens, taking advantage of the fact that the bag was open, walked out and hid in the waste basket. They were caught when missed and were returned to the bag with much squawking. The Lemieux boys were discharged.

Inspector Allen went to Lynn today and brought back a Lowell man who is wanted for non-support.

CALLED TO SPRINGFIELD.

The Advent church of Springfield has extended a call to Rev. Miles G. Nelson of this city.

MISS BREWSTER'S SANITY.

Montpelier, Vt., April 15.—Additional testimony as to Miss Brewster's mental condition was introduced yesterday. Jennie Clay testified that on the evening before the shooting, Mildred and others were at the home of Alexander Gilmores, and that Mildred asked for a hymn-book, but in attempting to sing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," she broke down and cried. Mildred asked the witness in an earnest way to commit suicide. Witness saw Mildred and Wheeler together the night before the tragedy. Witnesses testified that the respondent had relatives who were insane.

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MASTA'S PULMONIC BALSAM.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

Alfonso XIII Good at Figures.

In the midst of the turmoil at Madrid of preparations for war with the United States the 13-year-old king has recently undergone in the presence of his mother, of his relatives and of the principal dignitaries of the court and realm an examination in mathematics, in which, according to the solemn official announcement of the affair in The Royal Gazette, he achieved a "remarkable success." At its termination the queen regent expressed her thanks to the Generals Aguirre and Schelitz as well as to Colonel Castejon y Ello, who have been the instructors of his majesty in this particular branch of learning, and conferred upon them decorations for the valuable services. Should there be any tendency to smile at this, it must be remembered that no greater service can be rendered to Spain than to teach its rulers how to count, since it is precisely in consequence of the ignorance in this respect on the part of the kings and queens of Spain in the past that the kingdom is now in such a morass of financial trouble.—New York World.

Clothes In Cold Storage.

A man in New York has lately put in cold storage eight or ten suits of winter clothing. Dress suits, overcoats and other clothing are received and hung up in the storage rooms just as fur garments are, or they are received in trunks, which is the less expensive method of storing them. This is a cold fact.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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(Continued.)

suffer by modern wars are not the men who provoke them. Every modern war is a burden upon the poor man, while the glory is reaped by a few officers and stock jobbers."

He admitted that the insurgents were entitled to American sympathy. "Our hearts are stirred," said he, "by their noble struggle for freedom." At the same time, the insurgents were not altogether without blame for the system of warfare practised in Cuba. He quoted Clara Barton in support of this statement, paying her a high compliment. He did not, however, think that the action of the Cubans should prevent the United States from intervening. He appealed to the senators not to be divided on any technical question or to make partisan political capital out of the situation. He said that it was perfectly right to expel Spain from the island. "With this," he said, "we are all agreed. Peace can only come with the expulsion of Spain from Cuba." This being the case, he added, he was perfectly willing to give the president power to intervene at any time when circumstances rendered it necessary. It was within the constitutional right of congress to delegate this right to the president. He thought that the house resolutions were admirable, but that whatever congress might do, "all other things will be added to us by the inexorable and inevitable logic of events."

Mr. Davis asked that a vote be taken before adjournment. To this objection was also made. Mr. Caffery said that no good interests could be subserved by hasty action. There could be no relief that would be substantial given to the reconcentrados, who were the worst sufferers by the Cuban struggle.

"Those poor people," interjected Mr. Morgan, "are now dying at the rate of 1000 a day, while we are inactive."

Mr. Frye said: "I will tell the senator from Louisiana (Mr. Caffery) what relief can be given to the reconcentrados. The pathways from the United States to Cuba will be opened by our ships of war and, following in those pathways, will go the vessels of peace, loaded with food and provisions for the starving people of Cuba which will be distributed among them for their relief instantly upon a landing on the island."

Mr. Carter said: "The country requires that we act and not talk on this matter."

When the senate adjourned Senator Davis, in charge of the resolution, repeated his intention to ask the senate to sit continuously unless an agreement to fix a time for a vote can be secured. "I see no other way of bringing the matter to an issue," he said. "I do not enjoy night sessions any more than other senators, but I appreciate the importance of getting the speeches off and of securing a vote at the earliest possible hour."

Anxious as Senator Davis and others of his mind are for a speedy vote, the indications are for considerable delay. The vice president already has received requests from about 20 senators for recognition to speak and others are expected to make similar application. All these insist that they have no intention of speaking for the purpose of causing delay, but nevertheless they will consume many hours of time. It would seem now that even in case of continuous session a vote would not be probable before tomorrow.

All day long conferences of senators were held looking to a possible agreement upon the form of resolution to be sent to the president. Great efforts were made for the house resolution, which was known to have been satisfactory to the president and which was supported by the conservative senators. It is not believed that the house resolution can pass the senate, and the prospects are that the committee resolution will have an amendment recognizing the republic of Cuba before it is passed, the friends of recognition claiming a clear majority for it. The conservative senators believe the house proposition will win in conference, the impression being that the house will refuse to yield and, in order to prevent further delay, the friends of Cuba in the senate will accept the house proposition.

Mr. Fairbanks declared that Spain must make amends for the blowing up of the Maine. He hoped to see the independence of Cuba secured, but he was not prepared at present to favor the recognition of the independence of the so-called republic. The first imperative duty resting upon us was to establish tranquility in the island, relieve the suffering and distressed, and then enable the citizens of the island to deliberate and form a government upon such lines as their highest and best interests required. In conclusion, Mr. Fairbanks said: "The Spanish flag must be withdrawn and cease forever to contaminate the air of this hemisphere. To the high and holy cause of humanity we dedicate the lives and fortune of the republic."

DECLINED COURTESIES.

Washington, April 15.—Until Thursday the Spanish minister has continued to accept the numerous courtesies extended to him, including the hospitality of the cabinet officials and others high in the government service. In view, however, of the reports of foreign committees in congress and of the grave trend of affairs, he has decided not to accept further courtesies of this character, as it necessarily involves his coming into close personal relations with public men who may have participated in the denunciation of Spain in official reports.

It is the feeling in diplomatic circles that under ordinary circumstances the action in congress—the report of the two foreign committees, the passage of resolutions by the house, and the character of the debate—would make it incumbent on the Spanish minister to leave without further awaiting eventualities, which are now regarded as unavoidable; but against this it is known that the Spanish government will not, either by the withdrawal of the minister or any other step, place itself in a position of having invited a recourse to war. On the contrary, the entire policy at Madrid, it is said, is to remain passive until the United States not only makes the tender of war, but executes it by unmistakeably overt acts.

It has further been developed as the policy of Spain that she will resist armed intervention in Cuba as an attack upon her sovereignty. Although unofficial suggestions have appeared in the inspired press of Madrid that a protest might be made against that feature of the president's message suggesting armed intervention, a protest has not been made, nor, it is said, is there a present probability that it will be made. The only certain feature in this regard is that the Spanish cabinet has resolved to yield to no pressure, no matter how great, toward American intervention in Cuba, but to accept such act of intervention as meaning war.

EXCHANGE OF NOTES.

Washington, April 15.—It is learned that another exchange of notes has been begun among the European powers with a view to making representations on the Spanish-American situation. The present movement is not of the same mild character as the former one, and it is the general impression among diplomats that there will be little difficulty in arriving at a common ground, in view of the prevailing sentiment abroad. It is not so certain, however, that all of the powers are ready for a step of this character. Germany has of late shown a disposition to avoid exerting strong influences on the United States. Russia is also thought to be somewhat indifferent. France and Austria are most active in the present movement as they were in the former one. Whether all of the six powers are ready to join in the movement is in doubt, and without this united action it is felt that the force of such influence would be lost.

VIEWS OF LEE AND SIGSBEE.

Washington, April 15.—The testimony taken by the senate committee on foreign relations on the various phases of the Cuban question constitutes a book of about 600 pages and includes not only the testimony taken since the disaster to the Maine, but also much that was taken before, and running back for a year or more. The statement which contains the greatest current interest is that made by Consul General Lee, who said regarding the loss of the Maine: "I am satisfied the explosion was from the outside. I cabled the state department a few days after the board assembled that it was almost certain that the explosion was from the exterior. I have always had an idea about the Maine that, of course, it was not blown up by any private individual or by any private citizen, but it was blown up by some of the officers who had charge of the mines and electrical wires and torpedoes in the arsenal there, who thoroughly understood their business, for it was done remarkably well. I think the explosion came from some of the subaltern officers who had been there under Weyler, and who were probably anti-Blanco, anyhow, and who had full knowledge of the business."

Captain Sigsbee, in command of the Maine at the time of the disaster, was examined on March 31. He repeated his opinion that the Maine was destroyed by a mine, but in his opinion no larger than could be planted near the vessel at any time in broad daylight, and under direct vision, with the means available in Havana for that purpose. He thought 12 men, having mutual confidence and preserving secrecy, could have planted it, and that it could have been done while the ordinary discipline and watchfulness was observed on the ship.

NEWS TO BE WITHHELD.

Washington, April 15.—Gradually the lines are tightening around the news centers of the navy department. Some time ago Captain Crowninshield, chief of the bureau of navigation, issued an order forbidding any of the employes of his bureau giving out news except on permission from him. This did not interfere with the posting of the movements of the ships Thursday. However, the officials gave notice that hereafter no more information would be given to the public respecting the arrival and departures of vessels from any of the United States or foreign ports. This is done under explicit orders from Secretary Long, who believes that in times of a great crisis like the present, when the navy is likely to be called into active requisition, the best interests of the government require that no publicity shall be given to the movements of the ships composing it.

RAISING OF TROOPS.

Washington, April 15.—Major General Miles, commanding the army, said yesterday that considerable misapprehension exists in regard to the raising of troops in the event of war. He thought the people should understand the situation more thoroughly than appears to be the case at present.

"In the event of the passage of the resolution reported by the senate foreign relations committee," said General Miles, "the president would have authority to call into the service of the government militia to the number of about 12,000 men. The third section of the resolution directs and empowers the president 'to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the actual service of the United States the militia of the several states, to such extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.'"

TWO LONDON PAPERS.

London, April 15.—The Times says editorially: "Spain's note to the powers can have no effect except perhaps to delay the issue. The powers certainly will not intervene; while if they did neither the United States nor Spain would listen. It is doubtful whether, even if President McKinley regained his authority over the situation, he could now stem the tide of popular sentiment in America for war."

The Morning Post advises Spain to act promptly, "as every day's delay increases the probability that the force against her will be stronger than it is now."

AN ALLIANCE SUGGESTED.

London, April 15.—The Daily Chronicle from what it calls a "well-known correspondent," signing himself "Anglo-Saxon," prints a remarkable letter advocating an overt Anglo-American alliance to compel the liberation of Cuba without war by an overwhelming display of force. Commenting on this letter, The Chronicle thinks it "an opportune moment to seek to bring about such an alliance or entente, especially in view of the common interests of the United States and Great Britain in China."

DEED OF A FIEND.

New York, April 15.—In Brooklyn yesterday Luigi Monterello, a barber, invited Giovanni Lombardi, 60 years of age, into his shop to be shaved. In the midst of the operation of shaving, Monterello drew the razor across Lombardi's throat, and fled. Lombardi started in pursuit, but soon dropped dead. Monterello gave himself up. It is said that a feud had existed between the two men.

KILLED A BOY.

Bristol, Vt., April 15.—While A. J. Crane was amusing several children last evening by firing a small cannon, after having warned the little ones to keep a proper distance, the cannon exploded and a piece hit Jesse Hickey in the face. The boy died within an hour after the accident.

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Ladies' Russet and Black Oxfords, sizes 3 to 7, 50c.

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Ladies' Serge Slippers, sizes 3 to 8, 25c.

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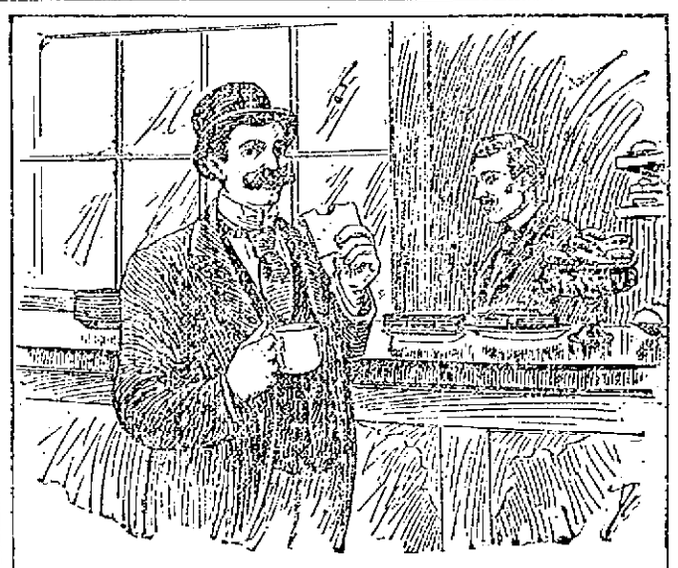

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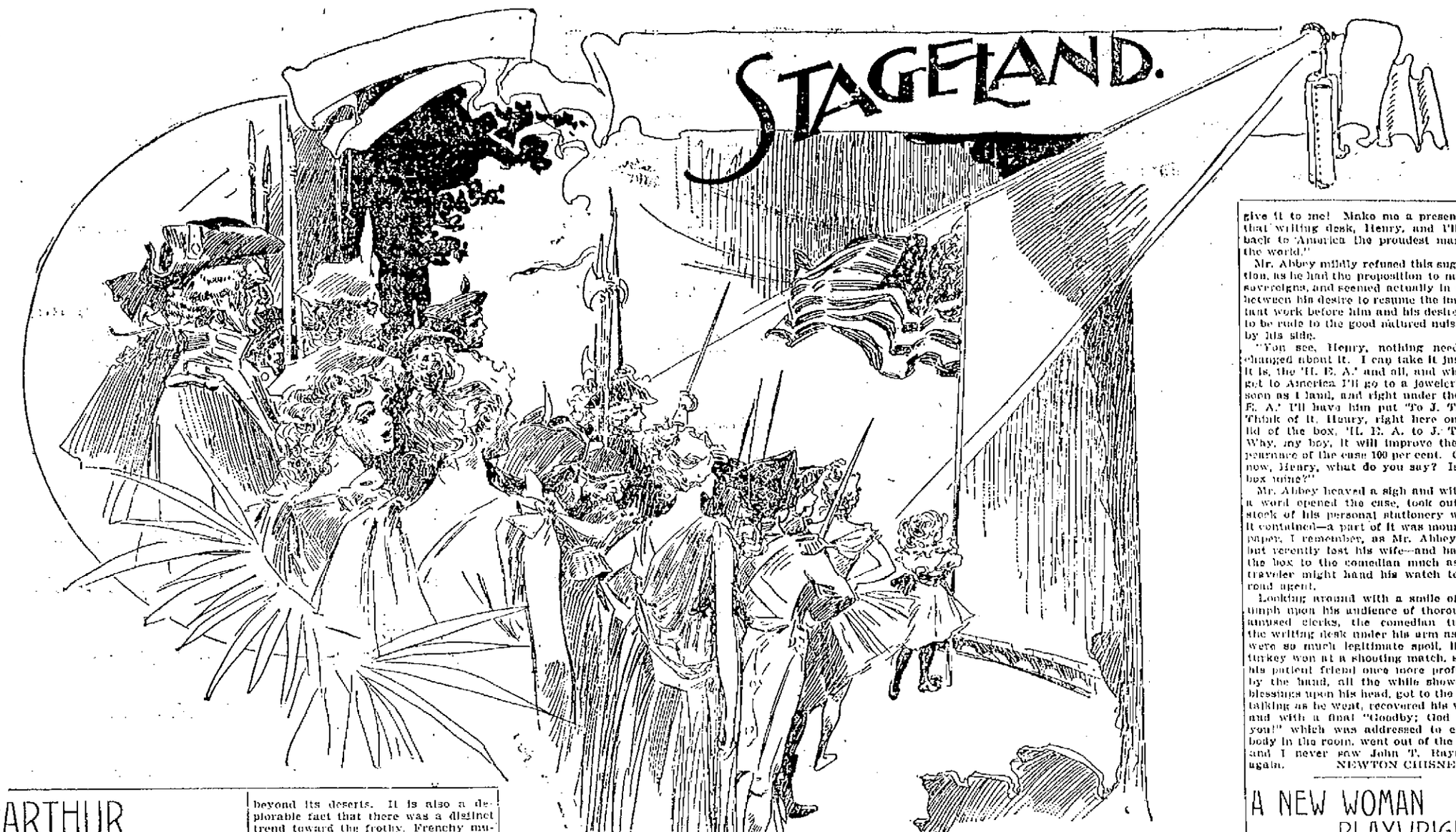

ARTHUR CRISPIN'S LETTER.

Theatrical News and Gossip of the Week In New York City. Rumors From the Rialto.

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New York, April 14.—The theatrical season in New York, as in many of the smaller cities of the country, is now fairly on the wane. Several of the houses here have already closed, and others will do so shortly. Every season has to wane and eventually come to an end, and that condition is of itself not significant, but the fact that this particular season has seen fit to go into the waning business so early is decidedly ominous. I asked a prominent manager the other night for his explanation of this undesirable change. He followed the fashion of the day by asserting that the bicycle is responsible for the early falling off in patronage. As, by common consent, the bicycle has been blamed during the last few years for every change in business conditions, this theory was not a particularly novel or satisfying one. But the manager then condescended to go a bit further, and I think he contrived to really strike at the root of the evil.

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He said that there are too many theaters now and that cities which a few years ago were veritable Klondikes for traveling companies have degenerated into tolerably fair two-night stands which one is obliged to play for a week, and of course lose money. The success of the original houses tempted so many persons to go into the business that the goose that laid the golden egg was speedily laid low herself. The show business is not alone in the tendency to fall into these blunders, but I'll wager that it can show more and bigger mistakes than any other profession in the country, for when it comes down to doing that which no sensible man would regard as even worthy of consideration for a moment the theatrical magnate is always well to the fore, with his hands eagerly stretched beyond the line.

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And, speaking of the practically ended season, it has been unique in many respects. Business on the road has been ghastly enough to make Banquo's ghost hide his diminished shadowiness in shame. A few shows have made money in the smaller cities, but those which were so fortunate can be named in a few seconds, while those which either came to grief or had a hard time to avoid it are so numerous that the list would fill a good deal of space in this column.

Here again has the curse of too many theaters made itself felt. Towns which ought to have a single place of amusement and about two shows a week have three or four theaters and possibly three performances a week in each. There is just about so much money to be spent in amusements in any place, and when that is divided by 9 or 12 instead of by 2 the quotient is bound to represent discouragement and disappointment for the manager.

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In this city, on the other hand, business has been exceptionally and unexpectedly good. Those entertainments which were really worthy have had long runs and have made small fortunes for their projectors. There has, it is true, been a paucity of good plays, and the result has been that much of no special value has been patronized far beyond its deserts. It is also a deplorable fact that there was a distinct trend toward the frothy, Frenchy musical farces, in which the sole object appears to be to test the forbearance of the auditors and to learn to what point the people on the stage will be permitted to go along the road to suggestiveness without a protest from either the police or the public. The "limit," however, appears to be a veritable will-o'-the-wisp, for it is never reached, and each year in this city sees the audacity of certain exploiters of "legs and lingerie" increased. There are those who believe that these people will take a different tack next season, not because of any change of heart, but for the reason that while the public is apparently willing to tolerate any amount of indecency at which the police do not rebel, the field has been so thoroughly threshed over that there is no longer a possibility of providing the so called "startling novelties" which New Yorkers like to delude themselves into believing are the only things they will tolerate.

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The final authoritative announcement that Viola Allen will positively try starring next season has set the tongues of the gossips along the Rialto to wagging overtime. As in all such cases, these fellows predict certain and dire disaster for the talented leading lady of the Empire theater stock company. They give many reasons, chief among which is that "she is not well enough known."

She is certainly much better known than was Maude Adams, whose success as a star has eclipsed that of any other stellar debutante of the past decade. I am inclined to think that the recent turn in the affairs of Miss Adams and Henry Miller has had much to do with influencing Miss Allen to strike out for herself, but these two remained with Mr. Frohman and had the influence of his name and management. It is whispered that no matter what denials may be made it is still possible that Miss Allen will arrange with Mr. Frohman to handle her initial starring tour. If she should do that, there could be little question of the successful outcome of the enterprise.

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But, if Miss Allen's break from the Empire company has caused the Rialtoites to chatter like magpies, what shall be said of the effect produced upon them by the announcement of the name of her successor? As has been stated generally, Miss Jessie Millward is to take the place made vacant by the retirement of Miss Allen. Miss Millward is best known in England as an exponent of the heroines of melodramas such as are exploited most frequently at the Drury Lane theater, London. She nearly always played the opposite parts to William Terriss, who was recently murdered by a crank. She was to the feminine side of high grade melodrama what Terriss was to the male side. She was a co-star with him on a tour of this country which is said to have been fairly, though not superlatively, successful, and it was the opinion of many persons whose judgment is entitled to consideration that Terriss was much the better performer of the two.

Still, no one will contend that Miss Millward is not a competent actress. The only point at issue is as to whether she will be able to win the approval of audiences and critics accustomed to the careful and always artistic work of Miss Allen. As Mr. Charles Frohman is a notoriously cautious man when it comes to the selection of a successor to a public favorite and has never yet made a mistake in that direction, it is but fair to assume that he had some very potent reason for engaging Miss Millward.

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The matter, though, which has irritated the Rialtoites so greatly is that Mr. Frohman should have gone to the other side of the water for a new leading woman for the Empire company. They argue that, even conceding that no woman here is better fitted for the position from a histrionic standpoint, there are many in this country who are certainly more peculiarly adapted to the roles which usually fall to the lot of the leading lady of the Empire, by reason of the possession of youth and great beauty. This is ungallant and not wholly true. Miss Millward is of course older than she was some years ago, but she can "make up" to look very young on the stage, and while she is not as beautiful as Lillian Russell or Maxine Elliott she is a very comely woman. She is what might be called "vivid" in her stage methods, and it is more than likely that she will win her way into the hearts of the patrons of the Empire theater, particular and captious as they sometimes are.

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If ever a woman deserved sympathy at the same time that she excited admiration, that woman is Julia Arthur. When, immediately after the beginning of her initial starring tour in "A Lady of Quality," everything she had in the world was burned in a theater in Detroit, her friends feared that she would simply give up and go back to a position in some other company. But they must have been woefully ignorant of this young woman's character. She set to work at once to have everything replaced and opened her New York engagement on time. Then she began to make money again, and when things looked brightest for her she was stricken with a serious illness, which came nearer to having a fatal termination than most persons imagined. Still, she has been a great success and can now take her pick of the bookings in the most prominent theaters of the country. She will have absolute rest this summer, and it is predicted that she will be as strong as ever when the next season opens.

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And while on this topic it may not be amiss to call attention to the fact that the person who has stood between Miss Arthur and trouble whenever it has threatened is Arthur Lewis, her brother, from whose first name she took her stage surname. This was Mr. Lewis' first season as a manager, and he was beset at the beginning by scores of annoyances which would have discouraged most people. Everything he did in the direction of exploiting his star was ridiculed by the "old timers," who cannot be brought to believe that anything that is original can be meritorious. The fact that most of these same ideas have since been widely imitated ought to be some solace to the youthful and talented manager for the many gibes with which they were at first greeted. It may not be generally known, but it is true, that while the fire in Detroit was still raging Mr. Lewis telegraphed an order to this city for a complete reproduction of the elaborate "sets" which were at the moment sizzling and crackling merrily in the fiery vortex at which he was vacantly gazing. The sister has lots of pluck; so has the brother, and so long as the business relations of such a pair continue it is hard to figure out how failure can ever fix its blighting touch upon them.

Arthur Crispin.

A Nimble Young Acrobat.

Nine-year-old Amy Hardcastle of Philadelphia is a wonder in her way. She is one of the most nimble little dancers and acrobats in the country, and the score or more of medals that decorate her breast show that her talents have been appreciated. She dances on her toes and on her heels, turns somersaults and handsprings backward, frontward and sideways, and besides is a very clever little singer. It is rumored that she has closed an engagement to appear in London.

A NEW STORY TOLD ABOUT H. E. ABBEY.

Interesting Scene Between the Famous Manager and John T. Raymond That Took Place In Abbey's London Office.

The late Henry E. Abbey was very busy in his London office one day in August, 1883. A number of clerks at desks in different parts of the room were hard at work, coming now and then with unfinished paper in hand and receiving a quiet word of instruction from their chief, or advising with one another, comparing documents or consulting ledgers, but all working industriously and silently. The place was far more suggestive of the executive seat of some gigantic commercial house than the office of a showman. It was near the opening of Mr. Abbey's season at the Lyceum theater, London, and of his still more important operatic venture at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, besides Henry Irving's first tour in America under his management.

Mr. Abbey himself was busier than any of his clerks. His table was heaped with papers. At one side, and devoted entirely to his private and personal correspondence, lay a magnificently bound alligator leather writing desk, ornamented with silver trimmings and with Mr. Abbey's initials in large silver letters upon the lid. The busy manager was writing slowly, but so intently and cautiously that the importance of his work was evident. Now and then a messenger, cap in hand, would silently give him a telegram or a cablegram, which he would read and answer without a word and then resume his work. Suddenly the door was thrown open, and this almost solemn silence was interrupted by a hearty voice that any American would have recognized in a moment in whatever part of the globe he might have heard it:

"Hello, Henry! Here I am. I start for Liverpool at 4:18. I couldn't leave without bidding you goodby."

It was John T. Raymond. He came in with a valise in one hand and an umbrella in the other. I think, too, he wore a linen duster. He began to speak before he was seen, he was speaking as he entered and continued to speak with scarcely an interruption until he made his exit. It was like his first entrance in a new comedy. The scene was his, and he held the stage until he left it. His walk was always funny, and as he came forward to shake hands with his managerial friend his "business" of stowing his umbrella under the arm and holding his valise, instead of placing both on a chair or on the floor as he might have done, was altogether professional.

Mr. Abbey laid down his pen and looked up with a bored smile as the comedian rattled on, all the time enthusiastically shaking the manager's hand and cocking his merry eye around at his audience of amused clerks in a manner so entirely of the stage that it only needed Mr. Abbey's "taking the corner" when his hand was free and slowly separating his crushed fingers one by one to complete the old time stage business.

"Yes, Henry; I'm going back to America today; start for Liverpool in one hour; take the 4:18 train." (Looking at his watch.) "No, by Jove! I haven't got an hour. How time flies! Well, goodby, Henry, old boy. Any special message for your friends over the pond? No? All right, then. I'm off for the great republic—the land of the free and the home of the brave! England's all right, you know, Henry, but then America—ah, America! Well, goodby, old man. The best of luck to you."

"Goodby, John. The same to you and a pleasant voyage." Mr. Abbey had arisen and, evidently glad the interruption was nearly at an end, was smiling good naturedly, but with a tired look, and shaking hands with the enthusiastic comedian. By the time John had reached the door Mr. Abbey was seated at his desk again and with pen in hand was only waiting for the comedian's disappearance to resume his work. On reaching the door, however, the retreating actor stopped as if suddenly reminded of something of the utmost importance, dropped his valise to the floor, and, still retaining his umbrella in one hand, while fumbling in his trousers pocket with the other, flew back to Mr. Abbey's desk.

"Henry, before I go—I've only got one left—one solitary English sovereign. Come, now, you match me or I match you. Which shall it be?"

"No, no, John. You must excuse me. I'm very busy, and"—

"Call it, then. Here goes, now," tossing the coin in the air. "What is it? Come, now, give it a name."

"No, John, really," protested the annoyed manager, no longer concealing his impatience to resume his work. "I can't. I'm very busy, you know, and"—

"All right, Henry. No sporting blood today, eh? Then I suppose I'll have to

HENRY E. ABBEY.

take this 'quid' back to America with me, but I'd rather leave it with you," making a pretense of going and returning immediately. "Come, now, Just once. What is it? Head or tail? No? Very well. Goodby, Henry." This time Mr. Abbey did not arise when he shook hands. Just then the comedian's eye lighted on the magnificent writing case on the manager's desk.

"Well, Henry, that is a beauty! Let me look at that for just one moment," taking it up without further permission. "Now, Henry, do you know, this is positively the most magnificent thing I have ever seen in all my life. A writing desk and such a writing desk! And these silver letters, 'H. E. A.?' Oh, yes, of course, I see. 'H. E. A.'—Henry E. Abbey? Well, well! Why, this is fine enough for a gift to an emperor! A gift to an emperor? Ah, a good idea—give it to me! Make me a present of that writing desk, Henry, and I'll go back to America the proudest man in the world."

Mr. Abbey mildly refused this suggestion, as he had the proposition to match sovereigns, and seemed actually in pain between his desire to resume the important work before him and his desire not to be rude to the good natured nuisance by his side.

"You see, Henry, nothing need be changed about it. I can take it just as it is, the 'H. E. A.' and all, and when I get to America I'll go to a jeweler's as soon as I land, and right under the 'H. E. A.' I'll have him put 'To J. T. R.' Think of it, Henry, right here on the lid of the box, 'H. E. A. to J. T. R.' Why, my boy, it will improve the appearance of the case 100 per cent. Come now, Henry, what do you say? Is the box mine?"

Mr. Abbey heaved a sigh and without a word opened the case, took out the stock of his personal stationery which it contained—a part of it was mourning paper, I remember, as Mr. Abbey had but recently lost his wife—and handed the box to the comedian much as the traveler might hand his watch to the road agent.

Looking around with a smile of triumph upon his audience of thoroughly amused clerks, the comedian tucked the writing desk under his arm as if it were so much legitimate spoil, like a turkey won at a shooting match, shook his patient friend once more profusely by the hand, all the while showering blessings upon his head, got to the door, talking as he went, recovered his valise and with a final "Goodby; God bless you!" which was addressed to everybody in the room, went out of the door, and I never saw John T. Raymond again.

NEWTON CHISNELL.

A NEW WOMAN PLAYWRIGHT.

Jane Mauldin-Feigl is the rather peculiar name of the latest recruit to the ranks of woman playwrights of America, but to many people this hyphenated cognomen conveys the information that she is a daughter of a distinguished Texas family and wife of one of the most successful young newspaper men of New York city, Colonel Fred Feigl, editor and proprietor of The Tammany Times. Mrs. Feigl has been known, both in her native state and in her adopted home, as a writer of clever verse and good literary matter. She even tried her hand at editorial work on her husband's paper, with such success that the desk she usurped one day in a spirit of fun remained her undisputed possession for over a year, for she belongs to the type of fearless, independent Texas woman who does not hesitate to tackle anything from a bucking broncho to a typewriter.

It was in much the same spirit that she first attempted playwriting. As is usual with young writers, her first effort was a problem play of almost melodramatic cast. This she submitted to A. M. Palmer, who, as was to be expected, returned it. But his reasons for declining it were rather complimentary and encouraging than otherwise. They were that two plays, one by Sardou and the other Dumas' "Denise," which Mrs. Feigl's piece somewhat resembled in style, had failed in America, and he feared that the public did not care for any more in the same line. However, he liked the comedy of the piece and asked that, if Mrs. Feigl should ever turn her hand to lighter playwriting, she should submit the results to him. This gave her the suggestion of "A Paris Model."

The comedy was written amid many interruptions from an infant son, who claims even more of Mrs. Feigl's attention than her literary work, and every evening she awaited the receipt of a telegram from his nurse announcing his good health with more interest and anxiety than she did the rising of the curtain on her comedy. On the night that the play was produced the telegram was delayed, and the mother-author was on the point of taking the train for New York to see if her son was all right, leaving the baby of her brain to its fate. And when, in response to calls for the author from the audience, the actors went to hunt for her they found her hidden back of a piano reading and rereading the dispatch announcing that the son and heir of the Feigls was all right.

Moreover, this new dramatist has not advanced beyond the point where she thinks nobody can teach her anything. On the other hand, she is constantly courting criticisms and seeking suggestions. As a result the play was considerably improved in several minor details during its stay here. Bright bits of business were introduced and superfluous dialogue was eliminated, all tending to knit together still more compactly a very cleverly constructed comedy. The principal change was that of the nationality of the ubiquitous janitor from German to Hibernian, this being more in keeping with the true condition of affairs in metropolitan flatdom, which is so cleverly caricatured in this comedy.

It was also decided that Leo Dittrichstein, as the broken down French tenor, was too good to keep, so an entrance was devised for him in the first act. Mme. Pilar Morin is also given more opportunity for the display of her pantomimic talents, which are remarkable, and Miss Haslam, whose performance of the leading comedy role was excellent from the outset, has even improved upon that by experience, which goes to prove the dictum that plays, comedies especially, are constructed rather than written, and few of them are as complete at their first performance as was "A Paris Model."

David Belasco has provided a fund to award a medal annually to the best student in each of two classes in the American Academy of the Dramatic Arts of New York city.

STORIES OF THE STAGE.

Della Fox Has an Adventure on the Rail—Melville Stewart and the Bookseller — Humble Life of a Famous French Comedian.

A very funny story is told—not by the advance agent—of a little experience Della Fox had on a certain railway trip from Washington to New York. It seems that Della and her manager, Nat Roth, left Washington together on a Saturday night train immediately after a night's performance. They sat up enjoying the scenery by moonlight until the train pulled into a station near Baltimore. They were to stop some time, and after a moment's thought the comic opera star got off to take a look at something in the depot. She was gone about ten minutes, and what was her consternation upon returning to see the train pulling out about 500 feet up the track. For a moment she was dazed, and then, raising her skirts enough to show the crowd of loungers on the depot steps a decidedly well turned ankle, she struck out after the vanishing train.

A brakeman on the last car waved her back, and after a thought of the wildness of running after a train she stopped. Then she remembered that Roth had all her ready cash and started again. After a breathless trot of about 60 rods she finally saw the impossibility of catching the train and gave it up. But, lo! on turning around in deep despair she found her own train quietly waiting on a side track, with a crowd of laughing men on every platform. Another train had pulled in and out while she was in the depot, and it was that that she had chased. And Della blamed Nat for the whole business.

A pathetic story is credited to Melville Stewart, the baritone of the Castle Square Opera company. Before he went on the stage he was a clerk in a London bookshop. "One of our most frequent customers," says Mr. Stewart, telling the story, "was a shabbily dressed man. Now and then, after purchasing a shilling novel, he would ask to look at some edition de luxe of standard English authors. He would handle the books with trembling hands and return them to me with such reluctance that I knew he was a book lover. I missed him for nearly a year, when he came back to the store leading a child, dressed in mourning, as he was, and I could see she must be his daughter. He said to me with almost pathetic timidity:

"'I want you to prepare for me an edition of Dickens bound without regard to cost and with the best insertions that you can get of Cruikshank's engravings.'

"I did so, and they were the most beautiful copies of the great novelist's works I ever handled—the covers in russia calf, soft as a baby's cheek; the thick, cream paper 'printed in the boldest type. After that I became very friendly with this gentleman and discovered his life story. He had been a poor, unfortunate clerk, with a bachelor uncle who was wealthy, but who denied him all his life what he was forced to leave him at his death. His wife had died just one year before the demise of the man who had caused her to suffer so many privations in life, and all the luxury and wealth that he gained were like the apples of Sodom to him, except as they gave him opportunity of rearing luxuriously his child. As I say, we became very well acquainted, and I called at his house frequently. I went there one afternoon and entered the library without knocking, as he always bade me do. I saw him standing in the center of the room, the most embarrassed of men, apparently, to me. He held his hands behind him. I said to him:

"'I fear that I have intruded upon you!'

"He said, 'You have not,' and then, with a sharp, nervous laugh he reached out from behind his back, and, of all things in the world for a man of his wealth and library to possess, he stretched forward to me a ragged, tattered, worn and soiled copy of 'Little Dorrit.' The great tears stood in his eyes as he did so.

"'Mr. Stewart,' he said, 'you, of course, are surprised at my reading a book like this, with this magnificent edition of Dickens that you prepared for me, but the story of that sacrificing girl has had its effect on me, and, like her, I remember the vicissitudes and the unkindness of the world and can get more enjoyment out of turning the pages of this cheap edition than I could by reading from the one you sold me.'"

Frederick Lemaitre, the famous French actor who died in 1875 and to whose memory a monument is soon to be erected in Paris, began his stage career in a humble way. The Gaulois tells the story of his first appearance, which was in the theater of the Varietes Amusantes. Tall and athletically built, young Lemaitre presented himself before the director of the theater, who asked him what especial roles he wished to play.

"Oh, I'm not particular!" was the cheerful reply.

"Very well. Consider yourself engaged. From today you are a member of my troop at a salary of 30 francs ($6) a month. Are you satisfied?"

"I should be hard to please if I were not."

"In that case you may begin your work on the day after tomorrow."

"But—my part?"

"Oh, it will not take long to learn that. You have strong lungs? Just shout a bit to let me hear if you have."

Frederick Lemaitre gave a roar which shook the windows in their casements.

"Splendid!" exclaimed the director enthusiastically. "You will make a magnificent lion!"

"A lion?" repeated the astonished applicant.

"Why, yes, a lion. I predict certain success for you, considering how you can roar."

Two days later the young artist, enveloped in a magnificent lionskin, made his debut on all fours in a pantomime called "Pyramus and Thisbe."

RECENT TOPICS OF THE STAGE.

Samuel Bernard and Maud Haslam are to act next winter in "The Marquis of Michigan," and the place left vacant by Bernard in Weber & Fields' company will be taken by David Warfield, who has delineated a certain type amusingly in several New York Casino reviews without ever having given much variety to it.

A little boy of 13 went to the theater the other night. On the way home he said to his mother: "I'm going to write a good play. There won't be any engagements or marriages or any nonsense of that kind in it, but I'll have the actors do something on the stage all the time." If he can manage that, this little boy is the coming playwright.

Carrie Keeler supposed that she took the place of Beatrice Cameron Mansfield in the Mansfield company during the illness of that actress, but as not all the leading female roles were assigned to her she became angry and resigned.

At one of Loie Fuller's "At Homes," which in London and Paris are frequented by interesting men and women, Camille Flammarion and the late Alexandre Dumas met for the first time. The astronomer expressed some surprise that their paths had never before crossed. "Ah, cher maitre," retorted Dumas genially, "that is easily accounted for. You rarely come down from heaven, while I—never go up there."

Perhaps the money made out of "The Black Crook" exceeds the profits of any other American play. The title became a trademark for spectacular ballet over 30 years ago and has never been out of use, though now it is applied only to a female minstrel show in the low vaudeville theaters, and nothing from the original piece is retained.

Two young lovers in mimicry are also lovers in fact. They are Lionel Barrymore, son of Maurice Barrymore, and Angella McCaull, daughter of the late John McCaull. They are playing in "Cumberland '61," and the publication of their matrimonial engagement renders them such objects of interest that the audiences are amusingly alert to every word and movement in their scenes of wooing.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

TABLES WITH TEA.

We have received a new lot of Tables, one with a pound of 6-c. Tea while they last. Dickson Bros., the Big Tea Dealers, 66 Merrimack street.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

T. C. Lee, Fire Ins., 223 Central street.

Steinert's removal sale of Pianos. Store to let, 34 Prescott street.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 439-4.

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This is a time of trial. Rourke & Sullivan's coal will stand the test. Telephone, 984 Gorham street.

There are stores where you'll pay $1.50 for the same watch work we charge $1.00 for. Harris, 10 Appleton street.

SLIGHT BLAZE.

The alarm from box 125 at 2.50 this morning was occasioned by a slight fire in Ellen Hennessy's tenement block in Quigley's Court. It caught in the rear end from an overheated stove and worked up through the roof.

THE GYPSIES

HAVE ARRIVED AT NO. 20 CENTRAL STREET.

Roving Franks Band of Romany Gypsies form the Boston Zoo have taken possession of the large store at No. 20 Central street, which they fitted up, with trees tents, and the place presents a true picture of gypsy life. There are six in the band and their patrons are mostly ladies. Everything about the camp is conducted in a nice, clean, respectable manner, and no doubt the gypsies will do a nice business while in Lowell.

RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

IN WHICH MR. HOSELY OF AYER RECEIVES SEVERE INJURIES.

A horse purchased by Mr. Hosely, an Ayer farmer, at an auction sale yesterday, ran away at School street railroad crossing, throwing the old gentleman out and fracturing his ribs. The runaway was hitched to the team drawn by the family horse, and being skittish, broke the pipe, kicked down the hind wheel, and made a wild dash through Railroad street. Mrs. Hosely was in the wagon at the time with her husband, but escaped injury. Mr. Hosely was taken in the ambulance to the Lowell General hospital.

MOTHERS' CONGRESS

FROM MAY 2 TO MAY 7th INCLUSIVE IN WASHINGTON.

Definite state organization will be effected at the Second Congress of Mothers and duly accredited delegates from organizations working along similar lines, will be entitled to vote upon and amend the constitution and by-laws presented.

Each club of not less than five members will be entitled to a delegate. Clubs of twenty members or more will be entitled to two.

All clubs and organizations intending to send delegates will please notify the National office as soon as practicable.

Delegates from general organizations will be most welcome and will have special courtesies extended to them, but will not be allowed to vote upon Constitution and By-laws.

Visitors will also be welcome.

Special railroad rates have been secured over the main roads throughout the country one and one-third fare for the round trip.

The hotel headquarters during the Congress will be at the Ebbitt House, Fourteenth and F street, N. W. Uniform rate, $3 per day.

The sessions will continue from May 2 to 7, inclusive, and will be held in the Grand Opera House.

The following are the topics of some of the addresses at this second congress of mothers:

"Some Social Aspects of Child Study," "Harmony at the Hearth," "Humane Education, Its Place and Its Power in Early Training," "The Mothers Who Need Help and How to Help National Training School for Women," "What Shall Be Taught and Who Shall Teach It?" "Nurseries," "The Training for Motherhood and the Public Schools," "Literature for Children," "Fireside Schools," "A Pure Press," "Expression Necessary to Evolution," "Our Defective Children; What Can We Do For Them?" "The Father's Responsibility," "The Industrial Plays and Games of Children," "Memory's Storehouse," "Education of Mothers," "The Child in Music," "Child Study and Religious Teaching," "The Ethics of Making and Spending Money," "The Children's Palace," "Some Common Errors in Regard to the Education of the Deaf," "Structure, Growth and Repair of the Little Human Machine," "Kindergarten Training a Necessity," "The Physical and Moral Effects of Worry," "Origin and Philosophy of the Don't Worry Movement," "A Little Child Shall Lead Them," "The Home as a Center of Patriotism," "The Relation of Parents to the Public Schools," "Our Birthright," "The Ultimate Purpose of the Kindergarten—The Development of the Life," "The Eternal Womanly," "Every Mother a Kindergartner," "Stories and Story Telling for Children," "The Physical Aspects for Child Life," "Children's Rights," "The Necessity of Training Schools for Nurses," "The Value of Domestic Science Lessons to Children and Others Equally Vital and Interesting."

There are to be in all during the six days the congress is in session, from May 2 to May 7, inclusive, between fifty and sixty addresses from men and women well known throughout the country.

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BAND CONCERTS

Committee on Commons Will Pay for Four.

THEY WILL BE GIVEN ON THE COMMONS.

Base Ball Grounds at Fort Hill Park.

The committee on commons held a meeting last evening, Alderman Cosgrove presiding.

It was voted to instruct the superintendent of commons to place flowers in the park on Centralville hill and in Park Garden in Belvidere and that he also make such improvements as possible in keeping up the tone of these parks.

The committee decided to close the opensione arch at the Tyler Park fountain with a wire screen and run a pipe through from the back side to the front to afford a drinking place.

The question of laying out a ball field in Fort Hill park was discussed, but owing to a lack of funds, it was decided impracticable to attempt to lay out a regular diamond with a backstop, and the superintendent was instructed to roll the present field and put it in as good shape as possible with the means at his command.

The question of band concerts was brought up by Alderman Tuttle, who thought it was as well to settle the matter now as at some future time.

After some discussion it was decided that inasmuch as there was but $250 to be expended for music for concerts there could be but four during the year.

The concerts will be held on the north and south commons.

The matter of draining the South common was discussed and it was explained by Alderman Tuttle, who is on the committee on sewers that the latter committee is already at work, clearing out the sewer leading under the common.

SATURDAY'S SUN

The Sun will have twelve pages tomorrow. The special features will contain matter of general interest to all our readers. There will be an extensive article on "A Timely Lesson in American patriotism." This article has been prepared as special reading on Patriots' Day, which comes next Tuesday. It will be finely illustrated, the battle ground at Concord being shown as well as a grand portrait of Paul Revere. Albert P. Southwick's contribution this week is timely, inasmuch as it deals with a question in which we are all particularly interested. He will write of the strength of the Spanish navy and the article will be illustrated with a picture of the Spanish fighting ships in action. General Daniel E. Sickles, the ex-United States minister to Spain, will have a very pointed interview in tomorrow's Sun. Brides and bridal tours is the leading topic discussed in the women's page. The Mothers' Congress also is treated in detail. For the sport lovers, there is plenty of baseball, horse trotting, gossip and other topics that will please them. The page of laughs will be the funniest yet and the illustrations will be the most comical ever seen. Be sure to get a copy of The Sun tomorrow and receive the benefit of these valuable contributions.

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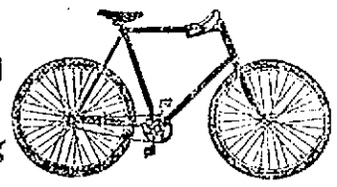

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MISPLACED SWITCH

CAUSES AN ACCIDENT TO THE THEATRE TRAIN.

The theatre train from Boston met with a slight accident while proceeding slowly from the Northern depot to that on Merrimack street at 12.30 this morning.

According to the report, several of the cars were being backed down and the engineer had no way of telling whether the switch light was all right for him to go ahead. The result was that the end car crashed into a car standing on the next track and the woodwork of each was badly splintered before a stop was made.

There were several passengers in the cars being backed down, but they were not hurt except for the momentary fright given them.

It is understood that the man in charge of that switch and several others in the vicinity says they were all in proper condition when he left them. The two cars which collided will have to rest for awhile in the repair shop.

CORPORATION RETURNS.

Belvidere Woolen Mfg. Co.—C. A. Stott, treasurer. Annual meeting on March 1, 1899. Real estate and buildings, $87,279; machinery, $41,030; cash and debts received, $1269; manufactures and merchandise, $321,748; total, $461,-295. Certificate filed April 1, 1898. Capital stock, $200,000; debts, $91,957; profit and loss and res. for depreciation $159,339; total, $451,296.

Sterling Mills, Lowell, B. Phipps, treasurer. Annual meeting, Jan. 19, 1898. Real estate and buildings and machinery, $89,000; cash and debts received, $1550; manufactures and merchandise, $254,357; total, $335,937. Certificate filed April 2, 1898. Capital stock, $100,-000; debts, $89,927; profit and loss and res. for depreciation, $146,010; total, $335,937.

CARPET MILLS

MILLS RESUME WORK ON MONDAY FOR TWO WEEKS.

The Carpet mills which have been shut down for the past two weeks, will resume work next Monday.

It was stated at the counting room yesterday that the mills will run at least two weeks, a few days a week, as they have been running for some time past. Although eight days work with a probability of more isn't much of an inducement under ordinary circumstances, still it will now be gladly welcomed as the operatives have been out of work the greater part of the winter and many of them are sadly in need of money.

The Murray club of the Frst Universalist church held a chafing dish party last night.

There will be no session of the schools of the city next Tuesday, it being Patriots' Day.

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